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No Inductions on Holiday; Security Tax Rate Frozen; Guerrillas Close to Vichy

The World's Day—December 17, 1943

Boston: Inductions Held Up Around the Holidays

No inductions into military service on Dec. 24, 25, and 26 and Jan. 1 and 2 was promised by Selective Service headquarters in Washington, according to a telegram from Representative John W. McCormack (D) of Massachusetts to his Boston office in the Federal Building today. No men will report to or be shipped from reception centers on these dates.

First Massachusetts trial under the State's new race libel law came to a sudden halt today when counsel for the Rapid Service Press, Inc., successfully challenged the authority of Capt. James T. Sheehan of the Boston Police to prosecute the case, in which the company is charged with publication of material of an anti-Semitic nature. [Page 2.]

Thirty-four Massachusetts boys were presented Federal licenses as junior officers this afternoon in American Merchant Marine at 99th graduation of what is now Massachusetts Maritime Academy in historic Fanueil Hall, Boston. [Page 5.]

Washington: Social Security Tax Rate Frozen

The Senate voted to freeze the social security pay-roll tax at the present rate of 1 per cent each on employers and employees for the first two months of 1944.

Assignments to manufacture 25,045 general freight truck trailers, under the first phase of the 1944 civilian transport replacement program, were prorated among 88 manufacturers, according to plant capacity, by the War Production Board.

A somewhat larger supply of margarine will be available for civilians during the first three months of 1944, the War Food Administration indicated, but the prospective increase probably will not warrant a reduction in the ration value of 6 points per pound.

In Europe: Guerrillas Mobilizing Near Vichy

French guerrilla forces are reported mobilizing in the mountains of Southern France not far from Vichy, under command of Gen. de Lattre de Tassigny, who has escaped from a German prison in Riom.

Ousting of Vichyites from the press of North Africa is being undertaken by the French Committee of National Liberation. Agents were seeking out any evidence of past collaborationism on the part of executives or employees.

A Free French "underground" organization has been established in Japanese-dominated Indo-China, similar to the one which "permitted the Americans to land in North Africa," according to retiring Gov. Christian Laigret of New Caledonia.

In Southern Greece, a demonstration by 4,000 women against German orders to shoot 10 hostages in Kalamata as a reprisal for attack on a Gestapo agent resulted in the killing and wounding of some of these women by the Germans, according to information from Greek and British sources.

The Norwegian Chargé d'Affaires in Stockholm has been promoted to the rank of Minister, the British Radio reports.

The Badoglio Government has restored rights and emoluments to three professors of the University of Naples who were dismissed or removed by the Fascist Regime, it is reported in London.

The foreign affairs committee of the Hungarian Parliament will meet on Dec. 18, presumably to discuss Hungarian-Rumanian relations, says the German Telegraph Service in a report quoted by the British Radio and recorded by CBS.

National: Conciliation Service Office in N. Y.

Dr. John R. Steelman, Director of the U. S. Conciliation Service, announced a regional office has been established in New York City to speed attempts to conciliate labor disputes. The region comprises New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and the New England States. H. Ross Caldwell, a conciliation veteran, has been named regional director and branch regional offices will be maintained in Philadelphia and Boston.

A new super-strength aluminum alloy to be used in lighter, faster, and more maneuverable fighter and bomber planes was shown at ceremonies marking the 25th anniversary of aluminum research laboratories at New Kensington Pa.

The National War Labor Board has upheld a regional WLB order establishing a minimum hourly wage rate of 50 cents for workers in 56 companies associated with the soft shoe and slipper industry, affecting approximately 5,000 workers represented by the United Shoe Workers of America (C. I. O.). The increase is subject to approval by the Director of Economic Stabilization, because the companies have requested price relief.

Churchill: Prime Minister's Condition Improving

The general improvement in Prime Minister Churchill's condition has been maintained, an Associated Press bulletin reported from London. The Prime Minister is "somewhere in the Middle East," where an attack of pneumonia has delayed his return to England.

Canada: Terms of Montreal Labor Contract Due

Terms of a new labor contract for Montreal firemen, policemen, and public works employees will be the subject of a conference on Dec. 18 between Municipal authorities and representatives of the workers.

The War:

Latest developments on world battle fronts. Page 1 in Column 8.

Anniversary of First Flight

MANTEO, N. C., Dec. 17 (AP)—Kill Devil Hill, virtually isolated from the rest of the world, proceeded nevertheless today with celebration of the 40th anniversary of the Wright brothers' first airplane flight, even though on a sharply reduced scale.

The worst snowstorm in this section in 26 years blanketed the highway from Elizabeth City to the outer banks and the island with a six-foot snow drift, making bus and automobile transportation all but impossible.

Only a single telegraph line connected Kill Devil Hill with the outside world, and up to yesterday afternoon even that didn't exist. The hill was the scene of the history-making flight in 1903.

Representatives of Gov. J. M. Broughton's Kitty Hawk Day Committee were already here, having arrived before the storm reached its height, but other officials, including Representative Herbert Bonner, Chairman of the Governor's Committee, were kept away when planes were grounded. Likewise, members of th press and radio scheduled to arrive from the north were unable to fly to the celebration.

All planes scheduled to bring visitors and officials to this area were ordered by Army, Navy, and Civil Air Patrol authorities to stay on the ground. Ice and four inches of snow covered the landing field at the Manteo Navy air base.

Story and pictures of airplane advance from Wright brothers' first flight to present celebration: First Page of Second Section.

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Fish Advisory Group Tackles Strike Issues

Committee set up by OPA begins inquiry into the problem in the hope of terminating walkout.

Inquiry into problems of the fishing industry, with the possibility of finding a way to end the four-week-old fishermen's strike, was begun here today by a New England fish advisory committee set up by the Office of Price Administration at Washington.

However immediate termination of the strike by this means was not foreseen by men who have been working on the deadlock.

At Washington Representative J. Hardin Peterson (D) of Florida, leader of Congressional effort to undo the tieup, said today he was hoping the Boston meeting of the OPA fish advisory committee would find some formula to clear up the strike. Meantime he had not as yet set a date for hearings by the fisheries subcommittee of the House.

Today's opening session of the committee was called by the Washington OPA and conducted by it. R. D. Heflebower, division economist of the OPA food pricing division, came from Washington to preside.

Authority Issue

Whether the committee would remain under Washington auspices or complete authority over its inquiry would be turned over to the Regional OPA had not been stated as the committee began its work.

Leaders of the fishermen's strike were placed in the fishermen's group. Boat owners, wholesalers and retailers were also represented. The permanent committee will consist of four from each division of the industry.

The committee list was thus announced:

Boat owners: Boston—Matthew Dillon, General Seafoods Corporation. New Bedford—Capt. Daniel J. Mullins, Mullins Fishing Gear Company. Gloucester—Manuel S. Domingos, United Fisheries Company. Portland, Maine—John Tonason, Willard Dagget Company.

Wholesalers: Boston—William Wennerberg, J. Adams & Company, and John A. Fulham, Fulham & Herbert. New Bedford—Capt. Manuel Goulart, Goulart Fish Corporation. Gloucester—John Del Torchio, Cape Ann Fisheries. Manchester, N. H.—Michael Gelinas, Newtown Fishing Company. Four of the five will be on the permanent committee.

Retailers: Boston—Walter Zink, A. & P. Food Stores, Elson Thomas, Thomas Fish Market, Inc., and William Maloney of the Foley Fish Company. Worcester—Bernard Brockleman, Brockleman Brothers.

Fishermen: Capt. Patrick McHugh, Secretary-Treasurer of the Atlantic Fishermen's Union of the American Federation of Labor, Boston, and Austin Powers, its business agent at Boston; Frank Gomes, port agent for the union at Gloucester; Dominic Sparrow, port agent at New Bedford, and J. Hayes, also a union man of New Bedford.

Behind Closed Doors

The meeting was a private session, held at the office of the Regional OPA, and was called locally by Charles L. Foote, Regional Price executive for the OPA.

Instructions to assemble the committee were given by Jean S. Carroll, Director of the Food Price Division of the OPA at Washington. He pointed out that it was important to have all elements, not only of the type of business but of location and dominant species of fish, represented. He suggested that the total membership be held to approximately 17, including an impartial chairman.

The whole committee should meet as a body to hear the presentation of general problems and its functions and then break up into a production subcommittee of eight and a distribution committee of eight, he advised. Then, finally, the whole committee would reconvene to discuss reports of subcommittees.

He also suggested that the question of port differentials, a solution for the present two-price system for blackbacks and yellowtails, and re-examination of wholesale margins at all levels for both port and interior points be taken up, as also any other problems.

The national OPA official emphasized that the OPA was anxious to have facts from the industry, but that final judgment concerning price action rested with the national office of the OPA.

Allies Consolidate Hold in New Britain; Berlin Charred Again by RAF Bombs; Roosevelt Plans Two Reports on Trip

President comes home to all-out greeting, but with landscape of home-front rifts.

By Roscoe Drummond

Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—President Roosevelt will make two personal reports to the country in the near future on the vast and vital decisions taken at Cairo and Teheran conferences, it was announced at the White House today.

He will devote some of his Christmas Eve radio address to a discussion of his 15,000-mile trip to meet Prime Minister Churchill, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Premier Joseph Stalin for the most momentous Allied parleys of the war.

He will utilize his annual state-of-the-Union message in early January for a detailed, first-hand accounting to Congress of the significance and consequences of the conferences.

Personally and diplomatically he returned to the White House early this morning after a 33-day absence from the Capital to find a cordial, nonpartisan welcome awaiting him, but politically he faced an unrelieved landscape of home-front troubles.

Nonpartisan Welcome

How Mr. Roosevelt crossed the Atlantic and how he traveled from his port of de-embarkation to Washington were not disclosed, but when he stepped from his automobile under the south portico of the White House he was given a warm and rousing welcome by leaders of both parties in Congress, Cabinet members, and agency heads.

Alben W. Barkley (D) of Kentucky, Senate Majority Leader, was the first of a large group of some 200 officials to grasp the President's hand, and Representative Joseph W. Martin, Jr. (R), of Massachusetts, House Minority leader, was in the vanguard along with Vice-President Wallace, Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce, and Representative Charles Eaton (R) of New Jersey to greet him.

The forthcoming announcements from the Chief Executive, whether from his press conference this afternoon or his two forthcoming speeches, will have both miliary and political significance.

The President will be expected soon to clear up the mystery as to the whereabouts and next assignment of Gen. George C. Marshall, United States Army Chief of Staff whom the War Department did not include on its list of returned military officials.

What About Marshall?

Before Mr. Roosevelt had left Washington on Armistice Day, the decision, there is every reason to believe, had definitely been taken to make General Marshall the Supreme Allied Commander in the European theater of the war with headquarters in London to prepare for the second-front invasion of Europe.

That this decision was re-examined and possibly reversed at the Cairo and Teheran military conference is entirely possible, and reports to that effect circulated in informal quarters here this morning.

The original plan, which not more than two months ago had the assent of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was that General Marshall should take up his new post in London not later than Christmas, and that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower would become Chief of Staff as soon as the Italian campaign reached a satisfactory stage.

Sources which were familiar with the earlier decision were in-

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Associated Press From United States Navy; By a Staff Artist

Onward Toward Rabaul!

Upper: Rear Admiral Frederick Carl Sherman (in cap, left), in command of a task force which raided Rabaul Nov. 5, grins as Commander Joe Clifton (right), chief of the fighter group of the aircraft carrier Saratoga, reports 24 Japanese planes shot down. Other officers (left background to right) are: Commander Robert Ellington Dixon and Lieut. Albert Franklin Howard. Lower: Close-up of New Britain and the Vitiaz Strait leading across to New Guinea shows how Gen. Douglas MacArthur's latest move will give him full control of this group of large islands. Thick jungle covers the way from the landing on New Britain (shown by arrow) to Rabaul, the great Japanese base.

Stage now set for direct assault on Japan's vital South Pacific base of Rabaul.

By Gordon Walker

Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor With the United Nations Forces in the Southwest Pacific

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NEW GUINEA, Dec. 17—Making their first major move beyond the confines of New Guinea, units of the United States Sixth Army have invaded New Britain Island, overwhelming by complete surprise a Japanese coastal base about 250 miles from Rabaul, Japan's Gibraltar of the South Pacific.

The dawn landing under cover of intensive naval and air bombardment on Dec. 15 thus brought within range of direct attack the formidable Japanese keystone base which has been the main target of a year and a quarter's costly battling in New Guinea and the Solomons.

The point picked for the opening wedge of this offensive was Arawe, a small Japanese barge staging point on the south coast of New Britain, roughly 80 miles from Gasmata and equidistant from that point and Cape Gloucester.

Complete Surprise

A moderately sizable flotilla of troop transports and auxiliary landing craft, under the direction of Rear Admiral Daniel Barbey, assembled at a forward base and managed to sneak in under the eyes of enemy search detachments to effect a complete surprise.

The Army troops—mostly Texas men—stormed onto various landing beaches around Arawe peninsula and Pilelo Island where the enemy maintained a small radio just offshore.

A dramatic episode took place when one section of the landing party attempted to reach the beach in shallow-draft rubber boats over submerged reefs. Intense machine-gun fire from the beach raked the boats as they paddled shorewards, sinking many and forcing the troops to abandon others.

For several hours the soldiers, together with a pair of war correspondents, were swimming around in water offshore, diving continuously to escape the rain of bullets which kicked up splashes around them.

Strong Opposition

The opposition was extremely strong in this sector and heavy American casualties were suffered before the shore fire finally was silenced.

A few hours after the first landing wave reached the beach, Japanese dive bombers, sweeping low over the palm grove and a 200-foot hill which runs along the peninsular, bombed and strafed the beachheads. They were driven off, however, before they could effect decisive damage.

For the most part, however, the operation was unopposed. The main landing party, which struck farther along the peninsula, achieved its initial objective with minimum opposition. American casualties in relation to the total landing force are reported to be very small.

Significant Move

Although comparatively small compared with other recent amphibious landings in the area, the new move bears powerful significance. It would have been suicide to attempt such a landing on the mainland of Japan's most powerful South Pacific base a few months ago. Constant air bombardment during the past two months, together with the threat of invasion by forces which have been closing in steadily from the Solomons and New Guinea, has

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Smoke and flame pour from battered Reich Capital — Russians fell 100 Nazi planes.

By the War Editor of The Christian Science Monitor

From Associated Press And other direct news dispatches

The American Sixth Army is consolidating its positions at the Arawe beachheads on New Britain, after having landed there with relatively small losses at dawn Dec. 15. So well prepared was this latest move in General MacArthur's island-hopping blitz in the Southwest Pacific with preliminary bombings and naval shelling, that the landing parties under Brig. Gen. Jullian Cunningham met little resistance after the initial machine-gun fire at the beginning of the attack.

The Allied forces are now on the same island as Rabaul, Japan's great outlying base. The base lies 250 miles away to the east, and possibly cannot be reached overland owing to mountains and thick jungle; but it will come so completely under control of the air forces General Macarthur no doubt will install on the newly-won territory that the Japanese will find its defense extremely difficult.

The latest success of American arms, commanded by Lieut. Gen. Walter Krueger, gives the Allies full control of the Vitiaz and Dampier Straits separating New Britain from New Guinea and constitutes a culminating strategic operation in the long series of island jumps of the past three months.

Meanwhile, a sixth major raid on Berlin by British heavy bombers was reported to have reduced the much-battered German capital to fields of smoke and flame. Government buildings, financial institutions as well as war production plants, were said to have been targets for this latest attack. How many bombers took part in the flight was not stated, but the fact that 30 of them were lost indicates a large turn-out. Immediately before the Berlin raid, Liberators and Fortresses of the 8th United States Air Force carried out a large-scale daylight raid over Northwest Germany, with attacks on U-boat bases at Bremen and in Helgoland Bay.

In Russia, clearing weather unleashed air forces that had long been idle, the Russians claiming to have downed 100 German planes. It now appears as though General Vatutin had stalled Nazi Marshal von Mannstein's counteroffensive toward Kiev, if he has not even wrested the initiative from the German commander. The German hold on newly taken Radomysl, 55 miles west of Kiev, was reported to be threatened by strong Russian reserves. Two hundred miles farther south, General Konev appeared to have the industrial center of Kirovograd, southwest of Kremenchug on the Dnieper, already partially encircled.

While the Italian front was relatively inactive, one significant piece of news is the reference to French forces taking part in the fighting. This is the first mention of General Giraud's men fighting on the European mainland. They had been last heard of fighting in Tunisia.

United States submarines roaming the Pacific are reported to have added eight more Japanese cargo ships to their list of sunk, making the total Japanese vessels sunk 374.

Southwest Pacific:

Allies Win Foothold On New Britain

American troops that invaded the Arawe peninsula of New Britain Island Dec. 15 are consolidating their positions, while the American Air Force has successfully repelled several Japanese air attacks.

The announcement from Gen.

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Retribution Period Opens With Nazi Trial in Soviet

By Edmund Stevens

Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

MOSCOW, Dec. 17—Soviet determination to mete out individual and collective retribution to the Nazis for crimes and atrocities committed against the civil population is strikingly illustrated by the trial which opened in Kharkov Dec. 15 before a military tribunal.

There, amid the ruins of the twice-occupied Ukrainian city, whose prewar population approached the 1,000,000 mark three of Hitler's lesser underlings and one Russian traitor who served them are personally being called to answer for their crimes.

The men are: Capt. William Langheld, a German and a Nazi since 1933; Pfc. Reinhardz Rettlau, attached to the 560th Group of German Secret Field Police; Hans Ritz, company commander of a special detachment of the SS troops, Adolf Hitler Division, and Michael Buranov, a Russian who served as a chauffeur for the Kharkov Gestapo.

The defendants have pleaded guilty to the indictments against them, but under Russian law their trial continues.

By their own testimony the men took active part in planned, systematic massacres, whose victims, according to data gathered through several months of detailed investigation, total above 30,000. Besides the familiar Hitlerite techniques of mass shootings and hangings, in Kharkov as at Krasnodar and elsewhere, they testified, extensive

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Fifth Army Pigeon Saved Allied Brigade

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—A pigeon saved a British brigade in Italy from serving as targets for a formation of Allied bombers, the Army reported yesterday.

The planes were being warmed up for the take-off at their base near the Fifth Army front to attack Colvi Vecchia, a fortified village held by the Germans near the Volturno River.

Pilots and crew members were adjusting their safety belt when a colonel dashed from the operations tent. "Hold it!" he yelled. "A brigade of British troops has entered Colvi Vecchia."

The message had been flown to the base by "G. I. Joe," a blue-and-white-spotted homing pigeon, of the Fifth Army's Signal Troops.

Greater Farm Output Urged As House Group Pledges Aid

By a Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—American farmers were called on today by the House Appropriations Committee to outdo in 1944 this year's peak food-production efforts and were promised more help in their manpower problem.

Without being defeatist, the committee quoted Food Administrator Marvin Jones as saying the United States will need more food next year to feed itself and its share of liberated Europe than it can possibly produce.

"It seems hardly necessary to stress the vital importance of making every effort to produce the maximum of agricultural commodities of which we are capable," the committee told Congress, in its recommendation for a Government farm labor program one-third larger for 1944. The new program for more efficiently utilizing manpower for food production will cost $33,750,000, compared with $25,545,000 spent this year.

U. S. Put in Vital Role

The Appropriations Committee issued its recommendations while Leo T. Crowley, Foreign Economic Administrator, was telling the House Foreign Affairs Committee that the United States is the only country in the world able to supply a large amount of relief supplies to liberated nations.

Appearing before the committee which is getting ready to recommend American participation in the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, Mr. Crowley said his agency probably would be the national agency to go before the Combined Food and

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Mining Equipment From U. S. Asked For British Pits

NOTTINGHAM, Eng., Dec. 17 (AP) — The British Government hopes to obtain $4,800,000 worth of mining equipment from the United States in the coming year to help boost the production of coal needed for the final blow to smash Germany.

This was disclosed today, in an interview, by Maj. Gwilym Lloyd George, Minister of Fuel and Power, who went down into one of Britain's largest mines with a group of American and British coal authorities to show them the use already made of mechanical loading equipment already obtained from the United States.

It also was disclosed that the United States Army had agreed to assign a number of soldiers familiar with American mining equipment to teach the Briton's how to operate it.

Weather Predictions

Cloudy and Warmer

Complete Weather Predictions for New England on Page 2.

Grocers to Protect OPA Price and Ration Program

By Everett M. Smith
Staff Writer of The Christian Science Monitor

Any sabotaging of the OPA's food price and rationing program through what appear to be organized yet uncoordinated efforts on the part of large producers and distributors will not be tolerated by the organized retail grocers of this State, declared Malcolm McCabe, Secretary of the Massachusetts Retail Grocers and Provision Dealers Association, today.

Indicating that there are many selfish groups who would like to see the OPA deprived of its pricing and rationing powers so they would be able to boost prices to their own liking, he added that organized retail grocers in the Bay State today are "determined to support intelligent price and ration control measures with their full united strength.

"We will not tolerate any sabotage of the program if we can possibly prevent it," Mr. McCabe continued. "While we may disagree with the methods employed at times, we do not disagree with the need for a strong and complete food price control program."

OPA Knows Situation

Analysis today by a number of leading Boston retailers of the scores of complaints against the OPA rationing program seemed to overlook the fact that the OPA, itself, appears to be completely aware of the greatly increased meat supplies which have found their way into the markets within the past few weeks.

Pork and beef point values have been cut two and three times within the past month, and there are indications that, if any serious glut of meat becomes apparent and it is in any danger of spoilage, point values will be cut still further.

But, as for any moratorium on meat rationing, local retailers do not agree that such a drastic move would accomplish desired results. The situation is only temporary, they point out, as they oppose any "off-again-on-again" program.

They point to the mechanical difficulties of such a proposed moratorium. They have had to pay out ration points for their present stocks. What about validity dates of rationing currency? they ask. What of the situation pertaining to the retailer whose ration currency is based on an orderly flow of such currency? they query.

Furthermore, they are inclined to view current thrusts against the OPA by the producers of fish, meats, poultry, fruits, and vegetables as merely a "smoke screen" to permit these producers and the larger distributors to boost their price levels to a point from which it will be well-nigh impossible to return.

What Order Threatens

Meantime, as supplies of beef, lamb and pork continued to pile up in Greater Boston markets, what promised to become one of the worst scarcities of poultry in Boston history loomed as the result of an OPA order permitting the military services a price of one cent a pound over ceiling prices to consumers.

Protesting this order in a wire to Marvin Jones, National War Food Administrator, John H. Sullivan, Chairman of the Massachusetts Food Advisory Committee, said:

"If made effective, receivers will secure no poultry for consumer outlets. . . . In view of the disrupting feature of this amendment, and as a destructive influence on the poultry trade, we earnestly request that steps be taken to suspend operation on Dec. 18 until such time as a hearing may be held to afford dealers and the trade the privilege to express their convictions.

"If this amendment remains, it will accentuate the 'black market' in an industry which has been sorely subjected to it for practically a full year," Mr. Sullivan asserted.

Boston-London In Night by Air Is Seen on Way

Boston to London flights in 12 hours by transport planes having speeds equal to the pursuit plane speed of over 300 miles an hour before the war were pictured as aeronautical developments of a decade hence by Ralph S. Damon, Vice-President and General Manager of American Airlines.

At the local Boston City Club celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the Wright Brothers flight, Mr. Damon told his audience that there are now more over-ocean flights than there were transcontinental flights by all the domestic airlines eight years ago.

He predicted that a decade would see domestic air lines covering 100,000 route miles serving 1,000 American cities as compared with today's 44,000 route miles serving only 73 principal cities.

Thousands to Fly After War

Mr. Damon estimated that privately flown planes would reach 300,000 craft in the nation after the war, of which the Massachusetts total would probably be approximately 5,000. At least half of these planes, Mr. Damon also estimated, would be based near Boston.

Planes on small domestic routes, Mr. Damon further predicted, would carry between 20 to 30 passengers, whereas today, he pointed out, the standard air line plane carries 21 passengers. On intermediate routes of the Boston-Chicago, Boston-Atlanta order, Mr. Damon said planes carrying between 40 and 50 passengers would be standard. On long over-ocean flights future craft would run up into 100-passenger capacities, he said.

Mr. Damon expressed the hope that the Logan International Airport at East Boston would come up to this vision in the ability to handle modern air traffic. He complimented state officials on the current modernization work now being done at the field.

No Outlaw Nations Allowed

Only nations which had proved their right over a period of years after the war to belong to the society of nations would be permitted the "right of innocent passage" for their airplanes, Samuel J. Solomon, President of Northeast Airlines, who preceded Mr. Damon, told the audience.

Mr. Solomon, who is also Chairman of the Global Air Policy Committee of 16 principal domestic air lines, interpreted the right of innocent passage as belonging to an "exclusive club" of nations.

"You ask if we would permit Japan immediately after the war to use Hawaii as a jump on an air route to Mexico, for instance, and I would say no, definitely not."

Herman MacDonald, Commissioner of Public Works, the first speaker, stated that the planned development of the East Boston field would compare with Idlewild, New York's super-airfield, when it was eventually finished. The Boston field, which is now 600 acres, would cover 2,000 acres in its final expansion, he said.

Greek Naval Leader Visits Boston

Associated Press

Mayor Tobin Greets Rear Admiral Alexander Sakellariou

The Commander of the Greek fleet in the Mediterranean visits City Hall in company of John Carziz of Boston, a friend of the Admiral.

Food and Freedom Declared The Postwar Needs of Greece

Food and freedom are the two essentials for postwar Greece, according to statements made by Rear Admiral Alexander E. Sakellariou of the Hellenic Navy in an interview today.

In Boston at the Copley Plaza Admiral Sakellariou said his people must first have food and then a strong police force to bring order and give them a sense of national security from which freedom could be evolved.

The dapper, pleasant man who since the war has been commanding the Greek fleet in the Mediterranean spoke in excellent, if accented, English.

"I merely state the facts, however," he went on, "I am not a statesman and must leave it to statesmen to work out how these needs can best be met. I only know it is a very delicate situation, and will require the most careful handling."

Admiral Sakellariou's wife and daughter are still in Greece, and he has reason to believe, he says, that they are equally in danger of starvation with the rest of their countrymen. "Do you know how it feels to be told that?" he asked. "That is a knowledge not shared by the Greek government in exile. And for that reason I cannot find any sympathy for the struggles of the various political factions for power and recognition. That group is now out of touch with the Greek people. I do not know, nor do they, that they represent the will of our people. Yet it is the will of the Greek people which must dictate the kind of government we shall have after the war."

Admiral Sakellariou declared that in all their history the Greek people had shown themselves lovers of freedom and the democratic ways of life. "And their history has shown, too," he said, "that they instinctively and habitually resist aggression. Greece is able to repel aggression, as she has proved time and again. For this reason, among others, it seems to me the big democratic nations of the world should unite in making of Greece a strong bulwark against the aggressor nations of Europe."

Pointing out that nearly all aggressive movements in Europe, whether from north to south or from east to west, have at some point crossed Greek territory, Admiral Sakellariou said: "I am sometimes surprised that the democratic nations have not considered Greece in this light before. Geographically, psychologically, and from the standpoint of her people's character, Greece is destined always to play an important role in European wars.

"Even from a purely self-interested point of view, the big democracies cannot afford to overlook the importance of Greece. Yet they have done so, and I am afraid they will do so in the future."

Admiral Sakellariou said the people of the great cultured nation of Greece have been reduced almost to savagery by sheer hunger. "Life in my country," he said sadly, "has come to mean nothing more than a struggle to get food in order not to die. In this state, my people cannot think clearly. Often they cannot act wisely or even sanely. The immediate postwar task will be to feed them and bring them such complete order—from outside, not from within their own ranks—that they will again come gradually back to strength and a feeling of safety. Then they can again have free elections and decide internal affairs for themselves."

The Greek admiral expressed the opinion that the present fighting between opposing guerrilla factions in Greece could be resolved after the war, but that it would take infinite understanding and patience and a world-wide point of view to do it. "We must show them that the time for fighting is past, that they must all unite for the one purpose—to build up the country to wholeness again," he said.

Admiral Sakellariou said that of all eastern American cities he had seen, Boston was the one he liked best. "It has a special quality all its own," he explained, "and, besides, it reminds me a little of my own country. It is old and I like old places, narrow streets, old houses."

Admiral Sakellariou is in this country primarily on Lease-Lend affairs and leaves tonight for Worcester where he will talk on the Greek war.

Order of FCC On Telephone Pension Holds

Complaint by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company against an order of the Federal Communications Commission requiring a major change in the accounting system relating to company payments into a pension trust fund for employees was dismissed today by a three-judge Federal District Court which ruled "it is not within this court's province" to pass on merits of opposing views.

The telephone company had petitioned the court for a preliminary injunction suspending the FCC order which would disallow $998,874 of the $2,957,143 which the company paid into the pension fund in 1942 and charged against its current expense.

The FCC had ruled that the disallowed amount should not be classified as current expense, but should be charged against prior years. The Commission held that if the fund were considered as a current expense in rate proceedings it would tend to increase telephone rate schedules.

At a hearing last June before the three-judge court attorneys for three labor unions of telephone workers said that many telephone employees were apprehensive that the pension plan was endangered by th FCC order, even though the FCC held that it would make no difference to the employees if part of the cost is charged to "surplus." The attorneys contended that the pension plan, paid for entirely by the company, would be endangered because the state could tax "surplus" income or stockholders could demand a distribution of dividends.

The FCC order was believed to affect the pension programs of all companies associated with the American Telephone & Telegraph system throughout the United States.

In the 35-page typewritten opinion handed down by Judges Calvert V. Magruder, Senior Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the First District; Francis J. W. Ford, and Arthur D. Healey, both of the United States District Court; the Court said: "Our refusal to set aside the Commission's order leaves that question as wide open as before."

After reviewing the testimony at length, the Court decreed that "bearing in mind the narrow scope of judicial review of accounting orders under the criterion laid down by the Supreme Court, it is obvious that such orders may not be set aside by the court, only in rare and exceptional cases."

Officials of the company said they will study the case closely to determine whether further action should be taken. An appeal may be taken directly to the Supreme Court, but the appeal petition must be filed within 60 days, according to officials of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals of the First Circuit.

Many Netherlands Ships Reported Helping Allies

By Albert D. Hughes
Aviation Editor of The Christian Science Monitor

A hope and conviction that the Netherlands flag will fly over land and sea as heretofore, both in the shipping and aviation fields, was expressed today by Frederik C. Aronstein, a member of the Economic, Financial and Shipping Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in New York.

In an address to the joint luncheon of the Aeronautic Association of Boston and the Maritime Association of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Aronstein, after tracing the history of Netherlands shipping, pointed out that many Netherlands ships were sent to England before the German invasion of Holland.

Netherlanders were also able to lay their hands on a large number of German ships in the Netherlands East Indies before they could be scuttled by the Germans, he said. These ships have since carried a tremendous amount of war material for the Allies, he added.

Many Ships Destroyed

After Japanese occupation of the Netherlands East Indies, the balance of the Netherlands fleet was chartered to the United States and Great Britain, he explained. More than half of the Netherlands merchant fleet of 1,200 ships, totaling about 3,000,000 gross tons, was destroyed by enemy action, he said.

"The Dutch have the fullest confidence that the United States and Great Britain will help them to rebuild and restore their lost fleet," Mr. Aronstein said.

He expressed the ardent hope that the Port of Boston will be used both from the East and West by Netherlands ships when victory is won. Boston, he pointed out, was one of the first American ports to have facilities for handling liquid latex, or rubber sap.

Mr. Aronstein also pointed out that large Dutch air forces, which, combined, are larger than the original home air force, are now based in England and Australia. The force now in Australia, which has already been in action against the Japanese, was trained in the Southeastern United States, he said.

Discusses Aviation

Mr. Aronstein traced Holland's aviation history and expressed the hope that after the war American commercial planes in large numbers would be frequent visitors to Holland's largest national airport of Schiphol, near Amsterdam.

He proposed a five-point program that Netherlands air interests would like to see in postwar international air commerce: (1) Foundation of international air routes should be based on reciprocity. (2) All states should be obliged to give every facility to established air lines. (3) International airports should be organized and managed by the nation in which they are located, and these nations should agree to comply with international regulations to provide landing grounds. (4) Each nation should retain sovereignty in international air traffic. (5) All international air lines should enjoy the right of free passage over the territories of other nations, but should not have the right to pick up passengers, except by reciprocal agreement, in those territories.

Trial Under Race Libel Law Is Started After Some Delay

Trial under the new Massachusetts race libel law finally got under way today in Boston Municipal Court, after being halted temporarily this morning when Arthur F. Bickford, attorney for the Rapid Service Press, Inc., challenged the authority of Capt. James T. Sheehan of the Boston Police to prosecute the case in which the company is charged with publishing material of an anti-Semitic nature.

Before Judge John G. Brackett, Attorney Bickford contended that under the new statute, action of this kind had to be instigated by the District Attorney or the Attorney General. Even when Assistant District Attorney Hyman Goldman appeared with Capt. Sheehan the objection was not met.

Judge Brackett pointed out that the statute plainly set forth that the prosecution must be instigated by the Attorney General or the District Attorney. He added that in any event the complaint was beyond the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court, and that all this court could do would be to hold a hearing on probable causes. Recess was then called.

After a new complaint had been drawn up and signed by Assistant District Attorney Goldman, the hearing got under way, with the calling of William Arvedon, of Gibbson Street, Brookline, as a witness.

Mr. Arvedon, a student at Northeastern University and editor of the Northeastern News, testified that on the evening of Nov. 23, when he went on business, with other editors of the college paper, to the defendant's print shop, he noticed on a proof press the imprint of an anti-Semitic verse. He said that he took a knife, cut the wax paper off, and put it in his pocket. He identified the paper when shown it.

The witness said that that night he showed the paper to Thayer Taylor, of Swan Place, Arlington, Assistant Managing Editor of Northeastern News. He testified further that he had seen similar verses in the vicinity of the printing establishment.

Under cross examination, Mr. Arvedon admitted that the paper which he cut from the proof press was not his property.

He testified that later he went with Captain Sheehan to the print shop and saw the Captain wrap up some type which a foreman gave him.

Francis L. Hurwitz of Elm St., Marblehead, Executive Secretary of the New England Regional Office of the Anti-Defamation League, testified that Mr. Arvedon brought the paper from the proof press to him at his office at 73 Tremont St., and that he took it to Public Safety Commissioner John F. Stokes, and later learned that the Commissioner had turned the paper over to James F. Daley, Acting Superintendent of the Boston Police.

Mr. Hurwitz said that he had seen similar verses six or seven times. Under cross examination, when asked to produce these verses, he did so. One was from Pennsylvania, one from Vermont, one from Decatur, Ill., one from Chicago and three others from Boston. In type setup they did not resemble the one in issue.

Medford Square's Welkin to Ring With Thousands of Holiday Voices

One thousand trained singers, augmented by an expected audience of between 6,000 and 7,000, will gather around the big Christmas tree erected in Medford Square on next Tuesday evening for what promises to be one of the outstanding wartime Christmas programs in this area. The program will be sponsored by the Retail Trade Division of the Medford Chamber of Commerce.

Opening the big program at 7:30 p. m., the 80-piece Medford High School Band will present several popular numbers, including Irving Berlin's White Christmas, and closing with a six-selection fantasy on Christmas carols.

The Rev. Dr. Rogert F. Etz, Pastor of First Universalist Church, will deliver the invocation at 8 p. m., following which there will be an hour during which the festively decorated Square will be filled with joyous Christmas carols.

Six hundred students from the Medford High School and elementary schools of the City will join in four-part harmony under the direction of Ralph T. Schoonmaker, Director of Music in the Medford public schools, and the large audience will be invited to sing with them. A brass choir and trumpeters will accompany the carolers. Decorations in the Square will include flags of the United Nations.

Boston Captain's Field (Ad) Mired

AN ADVANCE AIRBASE IN ITALY, Dec. 12. Delayed (AP)—When Gen. Henry H. Arnold, Chief of the United States Army Air Force, visited this base only to have his plane so mired down in mud that its big engines couldn't shake it loose, the most embarrassed soldier was Capt. Chester A. Dolan, Jr., of Boston.

The former Democratic floor leader in the Massachusetts Senate, who was re-elected while in the Army, is base adjutant of the service group which is in charge of the field.

The General had just finished telling reporters what a swell job was being done to keep the fields in operating order when he went back on the field and found his plane mired down.

"There were plenty of red faces around here then," Captain Dolan said ruefully, "but the General didn't seem to be bothered."

He wasn't. He just swapped planes with Lieut. Gen. Carl Spaatz and flew on while the 12th Air Force Chief waited until General Arnold's plane was dug out of the mud.

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Skiing Beckons In New England

Snow many inches deep, wind-packed, and with a two-inch powder on the top, is the report from a number of New England's leading winter sport resorts as the skiing season opens this week end on scores of slopes and trails.

Word from New Hampshire and Vermont is that there is plenty of snow and that ski tows, including the aerial tramway in Franconia Notch, will be carrying scores of skiers to mountain and hill summits Saturday and Sunday.

Moderating temperatures for the week end are expected to spur ski enthusiasts to leave for the winter sport resorts early tomorrow morning. Although no special snow trains will be operated this year, skiers can use the regular service operated by the railroads to the snow centers.

Many inns and lodges throughout Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont are staying open all winter. So far they report numerous requests for accommodations over the Christmas and New Year holidays.

Massachusetts' Berkshire region, which is a popular winter sports area, has no snow as yet, but resort officials are all set to "go" when the first fall makes hills and trails "ski-able."

Weather Predictions

By U. S. Weather Bureau

Cloudy and Warmer

Boston and Vicinity: Increasing cloudiness and not so cold tonight. Cloudy and warmer Saturday. Gentle to moderate winds.

All New England States: Increasing cloudiness and not so cold tonight. Cloudy and warmer Saturday.

High Tides in Boston

Friday, 1:01 p. m., height 9.9 feet. Saturday, 1:37 a. m., height 11 feet.

Events Around Greater Boston

Friday

The Boston Centre of the Country Dance Society will hold its annual Christmas dance in the gymnasium of Girls Latin School at 8:00 p. m.

Saturday

Mrs. Sayward will speak on the subject "Bible Stories in Art" at the Museum of Fine Arts at 11:00 a. m. Again at 3:00 p. m. Mrs. Sayward will lecture on "The Christmas Exhibition." Free to the public.

Miss Maginnis will speak on "Stories" at the Museum of Fine Arts at 11:00 a. m., the hour for children. Free to the public.

George Wheeler, tenor, and Leo Litwin, pianist, will give a recital at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum at 3:45 p. m. Free to the public.

Early Liturgical Music can be heard in the Catholican Chapel of the Museum of Fine Arts at 3 p. m. Free to the public.

"Our Country in Color," an illustrated lecture will be given by Horace Taylor of Brookline, at 3 p. m., at the New England Museum of Natural History, 234 Berkeley Street. Free to the public.

At 11 a. m. on Saturday and 3 p. m. Sunday, free movies pictures of Sweden will be shown at the Museum.

Under the auspices of the Salon Francais de Boston, Mme. Jeanne Bronjat Allen will give a "conference musicale," at the College Club, 40 Commonwealth Avenue, at 2:30 p. m.

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Party for Children By Boston 'Vets'

A party Sunday afternoon in Bulfinch Place Chapel in Boston's West End will again be held this year by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Boston Newspapermen's Post No. 3,188, for children of the district.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the festivities will begin, and they will include ice cream, cake, and soft drinks for the youngsters, a movie donated by Boston University, and gifts of toys, fruit, nuts, candy, and comic books.

Arrangements for the party are in charge of Wolfe Jacobs, Past Department Commander, and Miss Lille De Mar, sister of marathon runner Clarence De Mar.

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War Natural Gas Line Moves East for Industry

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 17—Construction of a war emergency natural gas trunk line from the Texas fields to West Virginia to serve war industries in the Appalachian industrial area, has been started in Tennessee.

A total of 207,000,000 cubic feet of gas a day, net, will flow through the 24-inch cross-country gas line at the West Virginia end when the project is completed, sponsors say.

Company officials assert that this supply will be used to augment the rapidly declining supply of natural gas that is now serving war industries in the Appalachian industrial area.

Estimated to cost $50,000,000, the natural gas trunk line is being constructed by the Tennessee Gas & Transmission Company of Houston, Texas, a subsidiary of the Chicago Corporation of Chicago, Ill., which is furnishing the financial backing for the undertaking.

The 24-inch line will be 1,273 miles in length and will begin near Corpus Christi, Texas. It will extend across the States of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, and across the border of West Virginia.

Done by Next Fall

Work on the huge development was begun in Tennessee because the development was first conceived to bring natural gas to Tennessee and to the area adjacent to the big Muscle Shoals project.

Officials of the construction company state that the main line must be completed under terms of the contract by next autumn.

Although the main trunk line will not come into Nashville, the Tennessee capital, or other Tennessee towns, an auxiliary company, known as the Tennessee Natural Gas Lines, Inc., has been organized to pipe the natural gas from the main line into Nashville and to about 40 other Tennessee cities and points in North Carolina.

Located only about 20 miles south from where the main trunk line will cross the Cumberland River in Tennessee, Nashville is hopeful that necessary priorities on critical materials will be granted by the Federal Government to make possible the Nashville connection before the war ends. This is thought possible in view of the small amount of construction involved and the fact that the Nashville connection is separate from the main auxiliary line that will extend through the State.

More When War Ends

The auxiliary line, planned to serve Tennessee and North Carolina, will not be built until the war ends, officials declare.

The work that was begun in Tennessee on Dec. 4 involves the laying of the crossing under the Cumberland River. It is expected that work on the other river crossings will be begun sometime in December. There are 17 major crossings in all.

Williams Brothers, Inc., contractors of Tulsa, Okla., have been given a $10.000,000 contract for construction of all river crossings and 612 of the 1,273-mile line.

Another aspect connected with the development is predictions that the advent of natural gas into the Tennessee soft coal burning area will go a long way toward eliminating the smoke problem in Tennessee industrial areas bothered with it now.

Porter Dunlap, chairman of the Tennessee Railroad and Public Utilities Commission, said that "when natural gas is brought to Tennessee it will, to a large measure, solve the smoke problem." He said that he did not mean that the smoke menace will be entirely eliminated but that "the atmosphere will certainly be cleared so that our cities will be free of such dense smoke palls." This will be brought about, he said, through the conversion by industries and home users from coal and artificial gas to the use of natural gas.

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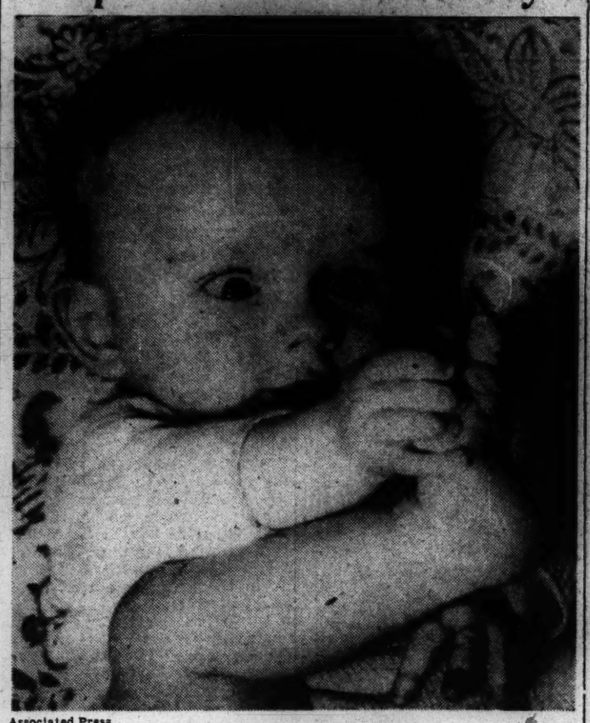

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No Need to Travel Abroad

Wide-eyed Allen Lad Zack, four months old, of Cicero (Chicago), Illinois, lifts his right foot, sticks out his hand, and discovers his toes, first sign of pioneering bent.

London Newspaper to Print Weekly Edition in New York

By a Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

LONDON, Dec. 17—Publication of a weekly trans-Atlantic edition in New York is announced by the London Daily Mail.

This "new venture in trans-oceanic publishing," as it is described here today, is being made "as a contribution to closer understanding of the British and American people."

This edition will be a digest of the week's issues of the Daily Mail assembled into magazine form, photographed down onto microfilm, flown to New York, and printed there.

In launching this experiment, which is to begin "shortly," the Daily Mail declares that "for the first time in history, a great national newspaper in London is setting out to put on the desks of influential people in America an account in pictures as well as words of some of the things its readers have just been reading in Britain."

The Daily Mail is a paper of Conservative sympathies which has devoted particular attention to the British Empire. Founded by Lord Northcliffe, it now is under the control of Lord Rothermere. It claims to have been the first British newspaper to print in two separate cities—London and Manchester—and also to have been the first British newspaper with a continental edition, printed each night in Paris.

In New York, Don Iddon, correspondent for the Daily Mail, said the American weekly edition would be in news-magazine format of about 12 pages on "slick" paper and would be distributed free to a selected list of about 3,000 prominent persons, including President Roosevelt and Congressional leaders.

The edition will not look like the Daily Mail printed in London, except that it will bear the Mail's masthead. The first copy is expected to be out the first week in January.

Gasoline for Eastern Area Cut by 7,000 Barrels Daily

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—New allocations of gasoline for civilian use in the January-March period were ordered today by the Petroleum Administration for War, with all districts except the Southwest getting smaller allotments.

The PAW said the reduced allocations reflect smaller seasonal requirements and should cause no hardship.

District 1, covering the East Coast, was allowed 372,000 barrels a day, down 7,000 barrels from the previous allocation. The Midwest (District 2) suffered the heaviest cut, 34,000 barrels daily. This reduces its quota to 433,000 barrels.

Allocations to the Southwest (District 3) were increased 1,000 barrels a day, to 146,000 barrels; the Rocky Mountain States (District 4) took a 2,000-barrel slash to 32,000; the Pacific Coast (District 5) was cut to 134,000 barrels a day, down 1,000 barrels.

Total certification for national civilian use of gasoline is 1,117,000 barrels daily, compared to 1,160,000 barrels allocated previously.

The PAW pointed out that farm use of gasoline drops sharply in the January-March period and that truck movement of farm produce also delcines during winter.

Rail Brotherhoods Cautioned Against Any Acts of Violence

CLEVELAND, Dec. 17 (AP)—Heads of five operating brotherhoods last night cautioned members against "acts of violence of any nature" during a nation-wide railroad strike scheduled to begin Dec. 30.

The warning was issued as the National Mediation Board made plans for a meeting to avert the strike called after 97.7 per cent of the brotherhoods' members voted for the walkout to enforce demands for a wage increase. The parley between union and railroad officials will be held in Chicago next Monday.

The union presidents, in a message outlining duties of their 350,000 members and officials during the proposed walkout, also told the men not to associate with nonmembers engaging in acts of violence or disorderly conduct.

The strike orders further specified that: Runs already begun may be completed after the time set to strike; unionists should keep away from company property during the walkout "except such men as are designated certain duties"; men will report to assembly halls and answer roll call twice daily, unless excused.

Rail Union Holds To Negro Policy

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 17 (AP)—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen yesterday informed the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice that the union is unable to comply with an order to stop limiting its membership to white persons only.

D. B. Robertson, President of the Brotherhood, in a letter to the Committee, also declared the FEPC had no legal authority to "direct the abrogation of agreements" regarding employment relations between the union and certain railroads, among them the Southeastern Carriers Conference.

Dec. 13, 16 Southern railways told the Committee they would not obey directives forbidding racial or religious discrimination. The railways declared the directives, ordering in effect an end to discrimination against Negroes, were invalid because the FEPC had no legal authority to issue them.

Replying to a letter notifying the Brotherhood of directives relating to its activities, Mr. Robertson asserted that the Brotherhood's constitution requires that "applicants for membership be white born."

Western Electric Strike Referred to White House

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The National War Labor Board has referred a strike of Western Electric employees at Point Breeze, Md., to the White House, a customary first step leading to Government seizure of the plant.

An independent union there struck several days ago when the NWLB refused to order separate toilet facilities for white and Negro employees.

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Somervell to Talk On Canadian Oil

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The Senate's war investigating committee, told that three high Government officials think the Army's $130,000,000 Canadian oil venture ought to be junked, will hear the other side Dec. 20 from Lieut. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, the man who ordered its construction.

Chairman Harry Truman (D) of Missouri, disclosed yesterday that War Production Board Chairman Donald M. Nelson, Interior Secretary Harold Ickes and Navy Secretary Frank Knox jointly opposed completion of the project.

"Unless General Somervell can produce greater justification for his extravagent expenditure than has been shown so far," Sentaor Truman said, "I think most of the committee believe we should take our loss and pull out."

New Bill Being Drafted To Cover Radio Control

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Sifting through several thousand words of testimony on the troubles of the radio industry, a legislative committee set out today to draft a new bill which its chairman predicted would erect safeguards against "bureaucratic censorship" and "monopolistic control."

Hearings lasting several weeks on the Wheeler-White bill to define the Federal Communications Commission's powers to regulate the industry were completed by the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee yesterday.

Bill Provides For Airports In 24 States

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Amid opponents' cries of "pork barrel" legislation, the House has approved an appropriation of $9,907,890 for construction of 31 airports in 24 States, reversing its previous refusal to finance the projects. The Senate already has approved the program.

The airport item was one of scores in disagreement in a supplemental national defense appropriation bill which carried $166,754,124 when passed by the House last month and was increased $141,240,894 by the Senate last week.

Ten Senate amendments remained in disagreement when the House finished action on a conference report and unless the Senate backs down on them, the measure must go back to conference.

Major Senate changes which the House refused to accept included:

An appropriation of $50,000,000 for construction of community facilities in connection with defense housing.

A $9,000,000 fund for work relief in Puerto Rico.

A $50,000,000 increase in funds for war housing construction.

An additional appropriation of $2,428,656 for continuance of the Federal crop insurance program which the House ordered liquidated last June.

A $2,800,000 fund for Western reclamation projects.

The House accepted a Senate increase of $6,500,000 in administrative funds of the Farm Security Administration but rejected a Senate boost of $37,500,000 in FSA's limitation on rehabilitation loans to farmers.

The seven airports added by the Senate Committee, and now agreed to by the House, include:

Winder, Ga., $565,000; Opelousas, La., $885,972; Boston, Mass., $500,000.

Among the 24 unfinished WPA projects:

Danbury, Conn., $160,000; Dexter, Maine, $100,000; Burlington, N. C., $475,000, and Rockingham, N. C., $75,000.

Eastman Warns Against Strike

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Dec. 17 (AP)—Joseph B. Eastman, Director of the Office of Defense Transportation, said yesterday a railroad strike would be a "worse blow" than any our war enemies could strike.

Mr. Eastman made the comment in a luncheon talk to civic clubs. Referring to railway operating brotherhoods which have set Dec. 30 to start a strike to enforce wage increase demands, he said:

"I won't talk about it now; I'll wait until I get back to Washington, but the workers, through stoppage of transportation facilities, could inflict a worse blow on the war effort than any that lies within the power of our enemies. I will not believe, until I see it with my own eyes, that such men will do such a thing to their country as go out on strike Dec. 30."

Mr. Eastman praised the war work record of railroad employees.

Two Big Veterans' Groups Back Bonus at Discharge

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Two of the three major war veterans' organizations threw their support today behind a movement for prepeace enactment of soldiers' bonus legislation as part of a mustering-out pay bill.

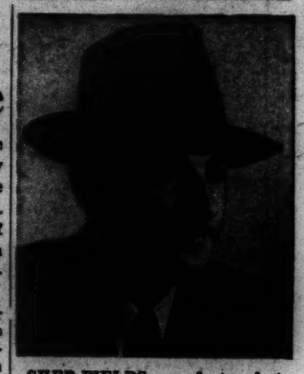
The third, the American Legion, declared through its legislative agent, Francis M. Sullivan, that it was "not a party to any groups representing the veterans whose insistence on further hearings on an adjusted compensation bill" has been blamed for delay in enactment of discharge pay legislation.

Millard W. Rice, Legislative Representative of the Disabled American Veterans, disclosed that a bonus bill introduced this week by Representative Overton Brooks (D) of Louisiana, a member of the Military Affairs Committee, represented the views of his organization.

Omar B. Ketchum, spokesman for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said his organization was in sympathy with the principles of the Brooks measure and believed pay readjustment legislation should be tied in with the mustering-out bill. He added, however, that the V. of F. W. and the D. A. V. were not in agreement on the method of approaching the bonus question.

The Brooks bill provides for maximum benefits of $1,500 to discharged servicemen and women, the amount being based on length and place of service, with increased benefits for men wounded in combat. The rate of pay would be $1 for each day of domestic service and $1.25 for foreign duty in combat, with an additional $100 (but not to exceed $400) for each wound.

Payments would be at the rate of $100 upon discharge and the balance in the form of a credit payable at the end of 10 years but redeemable before then for such purposes as the purchase of a home or a farm or for educational use. It could be drawn on at the rate of $100 monthly during periods of unemployment.



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New Films on Boston Screens — Stage News — Civic Symphony Orchestra

Olivia De Havilland Stars In Picture at Metropolitan

This, says the charming Princess Maria in "Princess O'Rourke" at the Metropolitan, is a Cinderella story in reverse. And so it is. For the Princess, incognito, falls in love with a simple young American airline pilot, agrees to marry him, loses her courage, secures unexpected approval of the match from her royal father in exile, and bowls the young man over with the revelation of her regal standing.

But there are variations in the Cinderella formula. For one thing, before the yarn is ended, the hero asserts his upstanding American independence and makes clear his impatience with regal decorum. And for another, there is considerable farcical humor.

Indeed, the first part of the story, which Norman Krasna has written as well as directed, seems largely a series of improbable gags in humorous vein. They begin when the Princess, bound West on a night plane, takes four sleeping potions and cannot be awakened when the plane is forced to return to New York. That is how the pilot first becomes aware of her. The comic developments continue when he attempts to further their acquaintance, while she is being followed by a secret service man. There is something too about a course in first-aid instruction in which both of the young people become involved.

The second half of the film finds the sentimental side of the story uppermost. A visit to the White House is introduced, and the visitors, for the time being, seem almost to take over the Executive Mansion. Even a Supreme Court justice is pressed into service before the complications are unraveled.

In general, it is the sort of entertainment, which puts considerable burden on the willing suspension of disbelief. And it runs the risk too of seeming oversentimental.

Olivia De Havilland plays the role of the Princess prettily, but the humors are a little outside the vein in which she is most effective. Robert Cummings makes a handsome hero of the pilot. Charles Coburn as the uncle of the Princess has a divided assignment. Part of the time he is an indulgent elder relative of the girl and part of the time a strict guardian of royal prerogatives. Jack Carson and Jane Wyman as married friends of the pilot, Minor Watson as a representative of the State Department, and Gladys Cooper as a secretary, round out the cast.

The other feature film is "Adventure in Iraq," a melodrama with John Loder and Ruth Ford in the prinicpal roles.

E. F. M.

'Adventures of Tartu'

Metro's "Adventures of Tartu," made in England by one of its Hollywood directors, Harold S. Bucquet, proved to be a steadily exciting war melodrama when unrolled Thursday at the State and Orpheum.

Robert Donat is starred in this suspenseful story of British sabotage in enslaved Czechoslovakia. He plays an agent of the War Office, carrying out a mission to discover a new Nazi gas formula and to wreck the plant where the gas is being made.

In the course of his efforts to communicate with the Czech underground, Tartu—to use the name he assumes upon arriving in Rumania—meets a Czech girl saboteur. They fall in love. Then she comes upon seeming proof that Tartu is really a Nazi posing as a Rumanian saboteur.

From this point the story takes on romantic intensities of the sort of melodrama Sardou used to concoct for Bernhardt. For a time the girl is ready, for the good of her country, to arrange that Tartu be killed. Much of the film's entertainment value derives from unexpected turns of events that often take on the nature of a mystery plot.

Tartu's helpers tap the telephone wires and confirm his assumed identity when one of the Nazi agents in what was Hungary tries to check his papers. Dramatic use is made of an electrical device whereby metal is detected when any person passes the portals of the gas factory. Yet Tartu manages to get into the factory with several high-power bombs. The factory itself seems so vast that one is reminded of the great industrial reaches in the spectacular German film of long ago, "Metropolis."

Score another credit for the ingenuity of film makers in wartime, when they must exercise economies. One of the cleverest inventions is the apparent blowing up of the factory, though probably not a stick or stone of it was disturbed.

The picture opens in London in 1940, and depicts, apparently with actual shots, the rescue of the inmates of a bombed hospital.

Mr. Donat never lets diminish for a moment the feeling that the secret agent's mission is of the utmost importance to the safety of Britain. There are times, when Tartu is being pursued through the galleries of the gas factory by the Gestapo agents, that one is reminded of the films of Douglas Fairbanks the elder, so brisk is Mr. Bucquet's direction.

Valerie Hobson as the girl proves her ability in tragic as well as comedy and romantic scenes. She attains in intimate scenes the feeling that she is talking to only one person. Her characterization is at once strong and tender. Numerous other players, better known in England than in America, fill in the other parts with a satisfying feeling for the time and place of the incidents.

The other feature is "Young Ideas," a comedy with Mary Astor, Herbert Marshall, Susan Peters, and Richard Carlson in the cast.

Gregor Piatigorsky

Soloist in the Schumann Violoncello Concerto at the Boston Symphony Concerts of Friday and Saturday of next week, and Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 27 and 28.

Inghelbrecht Ballad Given First Boston Performance

Saint Nicholas of French legend, a figure of altogether different guise from the one of American Hudson River lore, "'Twas the Night Before Christmas," got honored at the concert in Jordan Hall last evening of the Boston Civic Symphony Orchestra, Joseph Wagner, conductor. The ballad for baritone voice and orchestra by Inghelbrecht entitled, "The Legend of the Great Saint Nicholas," was performed, for the first time in Boston, too, according to note of the program-book, the solo part being taken by Robert Hall Collins. The French text, which Mr. Collins recited in song has to do with the fairy tale, or "miracle," of the butcher, the three children, and the tub, though the real theme, as in the poem, is a visit from Saint Nicholas.

The narration calls for a tone of mock seriousness on the part of the singer, so what the task comes to is interpreting a little comedy role. Sometimes this is just as much to do as carrying through a big tragic one; or rather say, an artist of first-rate command is wanted in either case. The story, whether told by lecturer in the form of a lantern show, by reader in the way of a declamatory exercise, or by singer after the pattern of a concert piece, demands imaginative treatment. The audience is brought into a certain mood, is kept there just long enough, and then let go back to actuality again. The composer, Inghelbrecht, provides just this opportunity for a baritone; and Mr. Collins showed that he knew what to do with it.

A particular hit on the Civic Symphony program was a set of orchestral variations on a Brazilian air, entitled "My Toy Balloon," by Nicolas Slonimsky. It was directed by the composer, who proved a veritable mime from the Russian Ballet executing a diversion that could have been designated, "The Baton." The audience evinced delight in Mr. Slonimsky's enthusiastic and picturesque conducting and expressed by its applause much pleasure in the music.

As for Mr. Wagner's own particular contribution to proceedings, his familiar zeal for the outside and neglected in music asserted itself strongly. He opened with the Mendelssohn Symphony No. 2 in B flat, op. 52, known by readers of musical dictionaries by the subtitle, "Hymn of Praise," and known to concert-goers very few. It was an interesting experience, people in the house must have felt, to hear the work, commonplace in comparison with the composer's generally accepted symphonies though it may seem. Then Mr. Wagner closed with the Ippolitoff-Ivanoff Symphony No. 1 in E minor, op. 46, first Boston performance, again by note of the program-book. Excellent tune material all the way through is handled perhaps with skill but certainly without great fancy, originality, or persuasion. Best of its four divisions undoubtedly is the scherzo. That should go for a popular piece on summer concert programs.

Another work by a composer of the Boston neighborhood besides the new Slonimsky study, was one of some years' standing, "The Monastery," Parts Three and Eleven, for Baritone and Orchestra, by Paul H. Allen.

W. P. T.

Aroldo Lindi

San Carlo Opera tenor coming to the Boston Opera House Dec. 26.

'Cherry Orchard' Coming

A revival of Chekhov's "The Cherry Orchard," presented by Carly Wharton and Margaret Webster, is reported in New York as a prospect for Boston the fortnight beginning Jan. 10. A brief preliminary engagement in New Haven starts on Jan. 6.

According to earlier accounts in New York Eva Le Gallienne will direct the production and she and Joseph Schildkraut will be in the cast. Miss Le Gallienne also has worked with Irina Skariatina to prepare a new adaptation of the play. Recent additions to the cast include Leona Roberts, last seen in Boston in "Uncle Harry," and Eduard Franz who played the role of a sympathetic doctor in "Outrageous Fortune" here but is withdrawing from the cast of that play.

New Religious Film Planned

By Frank Daugherty
Special to The Christian Science Monitor

Hollywood, Calif.

With the production of "Till We Meet Again," Paramount adds one more to a long roster of religious pictures in preparation in Hollywood. The film stars Ray Milland and Barbara Britton, a newcomer, and is being directed by Frank Borzage, who made "Seventh Heaven" and "Farewell to Arms."

Other impending pictures with religious backgrounds include "Song of Bernadette," the Franz Werfel novel, now ready for release; "Keys of the Kingdom," from the Cronin novel; "Sister Kenny"; Lloyd Douglas's "The Robe," which Frank Ross plans to produce on a lavish scale; "The Rosary," which John Considine is producing; "Going My Way," in which Bing Crosby and Risé Stevens play a priest and opera singer; "Quo Vadis," which Arthur Hornblow is preparing; and "None Shall Escape," a Columbia picture which tells of the postwar trial of a gauleiter in Poland.

During the making of "One Foot in Heaven" Warners worked closely with spokesmen for the Protestant church involved, similarly the studios which produce the above pictures will be instructed and guided by the churches with which the pictures deal.

Religious themes are not new to Hollywood. During and after World War I a great many of them were produced. Hollywood, however, rarely ventures upon these themes unless the demand comes from outside.

The Paramount picture is the fourth Mr. Borzage has directed for this studio. The cast will include—beside Mr. Milland and Miss Britton—Walter Slezak, Lucile Watson, Konstantine Shayne, Vladimir Sokoloff, and Mikail Rasumny.

Mother Church Radiocast

For Sunday, Dec. 19

10:45 a. m.—WMEX (1510kc). Service of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts.

Today on Short Waves

Chungking—10:30 a. m.—Talk in English. XGOY, 6.13 meg., 48.4 m.

London—5:45 p. m.—News and Headlines. GRH, 9.82 meg., 30.5 m.; GSU, 7.26 meg., 41.3 m.; GSL, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.

Caracas—6:15 p. m.—Songs of Many Lands. YV5RN, 6.20 meg., 48.4 m.

Moscow—6:48 p. m.—Program in English. RKE, 15.1 meg., 19.7 m.

London—8:00 p. m.—Talk by William Holt. GRH, 9.82 meg., 30.5 m.; GSU, 7.26 meg., GSL, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.; GRC, 2.91 meg., 102.8 m.

London—8:30 p. m.—"World Affairs"; Wickham Stead. GRH, 9.82 meg., 30.5 m.; GSU, 7.26 meg., 41.3 m.; GSL, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.; GRC, 2.91 meg., 102.9 m.

Moscow—9:00 p. m.—Comments in English. RKE, 11.8 meg., 25.3 .

Melbourne—9:00 p. m.—"The Truth of It Is." VLG6, 15.23 meg., 19.6 m.

London—9:15 p. m.—Workers' Playtime. GRH, 9.82 meg., 30.5 m.; GSU, 7.26 meg., 41.3 m.; GSL, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.; GRC, 2.91 meg., 102.9 m.

Sydney—9:25 p. m.—"The Truth of It Is." VLG3, 11.71 meg., 25.5 m.; VLQ9, 9.68 meg., 31 m.

London—10:15 p. m.—Royal Marines Band. GSU, 7.26 meg., 41.3 m.; GSL, 6.11 meg., 49.1 m.; GRC, 2.91 meg., 102.9 m.; GSW, 7.23 meg., 41.9 m.; GRW, 6.15 meg., 48.7 m.

Guatemala—11:15 p. m.—Comedy in Spanish. TGWA, 9.68 meg., 31 m.

Owing to conditions abroad, some of these programs may be subject to change.

Christian Science Programs For Sunday, Dec. 19

2:30 p. m.—WMEX (1510kc), Christian Science program presented under the auspices of the Committee on Publication.

5:00 p. m.—WRUL, 11.79mc and 15.35mc. Christian Science Program presented under the auspices of the Committee on Publication.

Radio Timetable

(Feature Programs Appear in Blackface)

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	WEEI-590kc-CBS	WHDH-850kc-BLUE	WBZ-1030kc-NBC	WNAC-1260kc-MBS	WMEX-1510kc-100m
3:00	'Mary Marlin"; sk	Morton Downey, songs..	'Woman of America'; sk	Sheelah Carter, news ..	Musical Fantasy .....
3:15	Music; Drama	Musical Poll of Hits ..	"Ma Perkins"; sketch	Christmas Carols	Musical Fantasy .....
3:30	News; Snapshots ..	Music of the Masters..	'Pepper Young's Family'	Yankee House Party: Variety show; orchestra.	"Cowboy Jamboree"....
3:45	"Help Wanted"	Music of the Masters..	"Right to Happiness"..		"Cowboy Jamboree"....
4:00	Broadway Matinee:	Drama; Air Express ...	"Backstage Wife"	Walter Compton, news.	News; Mystery Melodies
4:15	guest stars; News	Newscast	"Stella Dallas"; sketch	Musical Roundup	Mystery Melodies ....
4:30	Those With Us	Singing Stars	"Lorenzo Jones"; sketch	Music in Variety	Woody Herman's Orch.
4:45	Interviews; "Date"	Singing Stars	"Young Widder Brown"	"Full Speed Ahead"	Johnny Long's Orch.
5:00	Five O'Clock Follies	Air Express Music	"When a Girl Marries".	Musical Roundup	News; L. Clinton's Or..
5:15	Five O'Clock Follies	"Dick Tracy"; sketch..	"Portia Faces Life" ..	"Cinnamon Bear"; sk..	Irish Melodies .....
5:30	Follies; Quartet	Jack Armstrong; sketch	"Just Plain Bill"	"Chick Carter"; sketch	Irish Melodies .....
5:45	American Women..	"Captain Midnight"; sk	'Front Page Farrell'; sk	"Superman"; sketch	News service .....
6:00	News comments ..	Terry and the Pirates..	News; Sports Reporter.	News service	Sports; Musicale .....
6:15	Texas Rangers	Newscast	Kay Ivers; Melodeers..	"Digest"; Songs	Moment Musicale .....
6:30	Lyn Murray's Show	"Jerry and Sky"	"Jesting With Jesters"	The World's Front Page	March to Victory ....
6:45	News; 6:55 J. Harsch	WHDH String Quartet..	Lowell Thomas, news ..	Musical Rendezvous ..	Sports of the Day ....
7:00	'I Love a Mystery'	Sammy Kisen's Orch....	Fred Waring's Orchestra	Fulton Lewis, Jr., news	Pete Herman's Orch....
7:15	"Dateline"; drama.	"Hot Stove League" ..	J. W. Vandercook, news.	Drama; In the Gloaming	Richard Salinger, news
7:30	Friday on Br'dway	"The Lone Ranger" ..	Yankee Yarns	Don Redman's Orch....	Royal Light Quartet ..
7:45	soloists; orchestra	western drama	John Barry, comment ..	Don Redman's Orch....	Curtain Time .....
8:00	Kate Smith Hour:	Earl Godwin, news	Lucille Manners; Ross	"Sizing Up the News"..	"Excursions in Science"
8:15	comedy quiz; mu-	"Parker Family"; dr..	Graham; F. Black's Or	Fulton Oursler, news ..	Bill Dooley's Orchestra.
8:30	sic; drama; Fried-	Meet Your Navy: music	'Hit Parade'; Mark Wa-	"The Cisco Kid"; dr...	Tommy Carr's Orch....
8:45	elind Wagner; N'ws	var. show; interviews.	now's Orch.; soloists.	"The Cisco Kid"; dr...	Clark M. Eichelberger.
9:00	Playhouse; B. Don-	"Gang Busters"; sketch	Orville Wright Testi-	Gabriel Heatter, news.	Classical Album; Che-
9:15	levy; Wake Island	"Gang Busters"; sketch	monial Dinner; spkrs	Oracle Fields' Show..	pin's Polonaises ....
9:30	That Brewster Boy	Richard Himber's Orch.	"People Are Funny";	Double or Nothing; quiz;	Classical Album; Che-
9:45	That Brewster Boy	Orchestra; Narration ..	Quiz; Art Linkletter..	tenor; John King, mc	pin's Polonaises ....
10:00	Moore - Durante	John Gunther, news ..	Amos 'n' Andy; Comedy;	Network sports	News services .....
10:15	Variety Show	Lawrence Welk's Orch..	guest, Robert Benchley	Network sports	Bob Byrnes' Orch.....
10:30	Stage Door Canteen	The Symphonette, with	Sports Newsreel; guest.	Network sports	Alvino Rey's Orch. ....
10:45	Stage Door Canteen	M. Piastro, conductor.	Prelude to Victory	Sports Preview; A. Ward	Bing Crosby, songs ....
11:00	News; World War 2	Newscast	News; E. N. Eddy, news	News service	Raymond Scott's Orch.
11:15	"Jam"; Rideout ..	Harry Green's Orch....	Weather; "Off Record"	Maurice Spitalny's Or.	Freddie Martin's Orch.
11:30	"Mrs. Miniver"; dr	Fisherman's program ..	Disabled Veterans'	Guy Lombardo's Orch..	Day's End; News ....
11:45	"Mrs. Miniver"; dr	Dance Music; News	Christmas Fund	Guy Lombardo's Orch..	Sammy Kaye's Orch....

Saturday's Programs

	WEEI-590kc-CBS	WHDH-850kc-BLUE	WBZ-1030kc-NBC	WNAC-1260kc-MBS	WMEX-1510kc-199m
7:00	Top o' the Morning	Air Express Music	News; Musical program	Organ Melodies	
7:15	News; Music	Newscast	Dress Parade; Weather	News service	
7:30	Music; News	Musical program	News service	Music: "Bandbox"	N. E. Fellowship: religious
7:45	News; Rideout	Musical program; News	Spike Jones' Orchestra.	"Good Morning"; talk..	N. E. Fellowship: religious
8:00	News of the World	News summary	"The Wax Museum"	News service	Newsreel of the Air....
8:15	Caroline Cabot	"From the Hymnal".....	"The Wax Museum"	"George & Dixie"; News	Newsreel of the Air....
8:30	Carl Moore: variety	Nancy Lee: w'men's pgm	News service	Louise Morgan Int'views	Newsreel of the Air....
8:45	Carl Moore: News.	Newscast	Morning Musical	Louise Morgan Int'views	Newsreel of the Air....
9:00	P. Fortescue, Inter.	"Breakfast Club"	Music from Manhattan:	News; "Tune Factory"..	Scandinavian Melodies..
9:15	"Help Wanted"	"Breakfast Club"	Vocalists; orchestra ...	"Yankee Tune Factory"	Scandinavian Melodies..
9:30	Gardener's Clinic..	"Breakfast Club"	NBC String Quartet ...	"Yankee Tune Factory"	Wax Time .....
9:45	Food Fair	"Breakfast Club"	NBC String Quartet ...	"Yankee Tune Factory"	Waltz Time .....
10:00	'Youth on Parade';	Jesting With the Jesters	Four-H Club Program..	News; "Tune Factory"..	Newsboys Club of Boston
10:15	music; drama	"D'Artega Presents" ..	"Off the Record"	"Yankee Tune Factory"	J. Grossman .....
10:30	Mary Lee Taylor:	Fishermen's Pgm; News	Saturday Show Down..	"Yankee Tune Factory"	Joe Rubin's Discoveries.
10:45	Homemaking talks	ABC's of OPA	Bob Becker's Pet Parade	"Yankee Tune Factory"	Adele Bailey, stories....
11:00	News; Nila Mack's	U. S. Navy Log: drama	'Hook 'n' Ladder Follies'	Children's Bible Hour..	Kick-Conga! .....
11:15	"Let's Pretend"..	U. S. Navy Log: drama	Or.; Ralph Dumke, mc	Children's Bible Hour..	Melody for Meditation..
11:30	"Fashions in Ra-	Legion Auxiliary talk..	'Lighted Windows'; dr.	Children's Bible Hour..	Frank Sinatra, songs...
11:45	tions"; B. Burke	Air Express Music	with Fulton Oursler	Children's Bible Hour..	News service .....
12:00	Theater of Today:	Newscast	News; Man on the Farm	Organ recital	Circle C Band.....
12:15	Jeanne Cagney ..	Bond Wagon Quiz	Man on the Farm	News service	Circle C Band.....
12:30	"Stars Over Holly-	National Farm and Home	Man on the Farm; News	Musical Roundup	Italian drama; music..
12:45	wood"; drama	Hour; talk; music	Weather; Liebert	Musical Roundup	Italian drama; music..
1:00	Dick Powell; Mar-	Horace Heidt's Music..	N. E. Sector Army Show:	Henry Jerome's Orch..	Italian Melodies .....
1:15	tha Tilton; Songs	Horace Heidt's Music..	Dr.; music; guests	Henry Jerome's Orch..	Invitation to Opera....
1:30	Musical Variety ..	Treasury Star Parade..	N. E. Sector Army Show	Musical Roundup	Parade of Bands.....
1:45	News service	Fishermen's Pgm; News	News service	Studio speaker	Parade of Bands.....
2:00	'Of Men & Books'	Metropolitan Opera:	Weekend Function	Charles Hodges, news..	You Shall Have Music..
2:15	J. T. Frederick, gst	Verdi's "Rigoletto";	Weekend Function	Lani McIntire's Orch...	You Shall Have Music..
2:30	"We Deliver the	Lily Pons; Lawrence	Weekend Function	Mutual Goes Calling....	Leatherneck Parade ....
2:45	Goods": music; dr	Tibbett; Anna Kaskas;	Weekend Function	Mutual Goes Calling....	News service .....
3:00	Country Journal ..	Thelma Altman; Chas.	First Piano Quartet	Drake University Choir:	Musical Fantasy .....
3:15	Country Journal ..	'Kullman; Walter Cas-	First Piano Quartet	Christmas Carols	Musical Fantasy .....
3:30	Disabled War Vet-	sel; with supporting	U. S. Navy Christmas	Army-Navy House Party:	Cowboy Jamboree .....
3:45	erans Christmas..	cast; Cesare Sodero.	Day Greetings; Variety	Variety show; orch....	Cowboy Jamboree .....
4:00	News; London rept	conductor	'Freedom of Press'; dr.;	Sam Levine, sports.....	Mystery Melodies .....
4:15	"Top Tune Time"..	Metropolitan Opera:	Bill of Rights Pgm....	Sports comments	Mystery Melodies .....
4:30	'Calling Pan Amer-	Verdi's "Rigoletto"	Saturday at Aunt Pat-	Bob Stanley's Orch....	Frankie Master's Orch..
4:45	ica; music	Metropolitan Opera	ty's: music; drama....	Bob Stanley's Orch....	Jan Savitt's Orchestra..
5:00	Five O'Clock Follies	Musical program	"An Englishman Looks	Musical Roundup	Dick Todd, songs.....
5:15	Carols; Quartet ..	Musical program	at Brooklyn"; drama...	Musical Roundup	Vaughn Monroe's Orch..
5:30	"Meet a Dad"; dr	Musical program	Adventures in Research	Weekly Visit American	Shep Field's Orchestra.
5:45	'Mother & Dad'; dr	Nancy Martin, songs ...	Curt Massey; Quartet.	Eagle Club in London..	News service .....
6:00	"Page One"; News	String Quintet; speaker	News; Geoffrey Harwood	News service	Sports; Musicale .....
6:15	Chats About Dogs.	Storyland Theater	Symphony of Melody ...	"Digest"; Songs	Moment Musicale .....
6:30	"Musically Yours"	Newscast	Sports Roundup	Musical Rendezvous	March to Victory.....
6:45	World Today; News	Leon Belderson	Sammy Kisen's Orch....	Musical Rendezvous	Sports of the Day.....
7:00	The Man Behind	'What's New?'; Variety;	"For This We Fight";	"Return of Nick Carter"	Pete Herman's Orch....
7:15	the Gun: drama..	drama; orch.; Maurer	"Fewer Finishing"	"Return of Nick Carter"	News service .....
7:30	Bob Hawk's Th'ks	O'Sullivan; Lou Maurer;	"Ellery Queen"; drama	"Know Your Endorser"..	Ann Nigro, piano.....
7:45	to the Yanks	Carlos Ramirez; others	"Ellery Queen"; drama	Fred Lang, news.....	Billy Dooley's Orch....
8:00	Chico Marx; Vari-	Ray Heatin, news	"Abie's Irish Rose"; com	"California Melodies"	Religious program .....
8:15	ety Show; guests	Boston Symphony Orch;	"Abie's Irish Rose"; com	Maxine Grey, songs; or.	Religious program .....
8:30	"Inner Structure";	Serge Koussevitsky, con	"Truth or Consequences"	"Foreign Assignment";	Tommy Carr's Orch....
8:45	Mystery dr.; News.	Haydn's G Major Sy	Ralph Edwards, cond.	dramatic series	"Lest We Forget"; dr..
9:00	"Your Hit Parade";	Mozart's E Flat Major	National Barn Dance;	Chicago Theater; Marion	Classical Album; Rim-
9:15	Hank Warrow's	Sammy Kaye's Orch....	comedy; songs; orch.	Claire; Glaser	sky-Korsakov; "Sche-
9:30	Dr. Frank Stanley	Dean Fosdick; Boston	"Can I Do This, Pris-	Brown; Foote; "Hansel	herazade" .....
9:45	"Saturday Night	Dean Fosdick; Sports	comedy quiz	& Gretel"; chorus; or.	Classical Album; Olym-
10:00	Concentrate; Ben	John Gunther, news ..	"Million Dollar Band";	John B. Hughes, news..	pic-Canadian Army-
10:15	Grauer; Phonet-	Army Service Forces	Sammy Dunham, guest	Saturday Night Band-	Navy Hockey Game ..
10:30	ics; McWilliams an	Presents; drama; music	Orchestra; Old Opry;	wagon; guests; dr.; or.	News service .....
10:45	Margaret Kreuger.	Rochdale Co-op. Pgm.	Billy Snow, W'ford, mc	Lee Cherie; "Impact"	Will Bradley's Orch.
11:00	News; World War 2	Newscast	News; E. N. Eddy, news	News service	Cocoanut Grove Orch.
11:15	Jean Ribaut's	Sports of the Nation ..	Weather; Off Record"	Mutual Goes Calling....	Shep Fields's Orchestra.
11:30	"Pinafore Cadets"	Fishermen's Program ..	Disabled Veterans'	Ted Lewis's Orchestra..	Day's End; News .....
11:45	Adventures Around	Pat Barnes' Orchestra..	Christmas Fund	Guy Lombardo's Orch..	Day's End; News .....

Entertainment Timetable

Little Theater

New England Mutual Hall—"Peter Pan," fantasy by James Barrie. Presented by the Tributary Theater. 8:30.

Plays

Wilbur—"The Army Play by Play," all-soldier stage show. Presented by John Golden. 8:30. Matinee Saturday at 2:30.

Colonial—"The Doughgirls," by Joseph Fields. Staged by George S. Kauffman. Featuring Taylor Holmes, Betty Furness, Leila Ernst, Lenore Ulric. 8:30. Matinees Wednesdays and Saturdays at 2:30.

Plymouth—"Abie's Irish Rose," comedy by Anne Nichols. Featuring Donald Brian, James O'Neill. 8:30. Matinees Thursdays and Saturdays at 2:30.

Films in Boston

Esquire—"Fired Wife," Robert Paige. 1:15, 4, 6:45, 9:30. "Never a Dull Moment," Ritz Brothers. 2:40, 5:25, 8:10.

Exeter—"Paris After Dark," George Sanders, Brenda Marshall. 3:10, 6:10, 9:10. "Let's Face It," Bob Hope, Betty Hutton. 1:40, 6:40, 9:40.

Fenway—"Sweet Rosie O'Grady," Betty Grable, Robert Young, Adolphe Menjou. 11:30 a. m., 2, 4:35, 7:10, 9:38. "Submarine Alert," Richard Arlen, Wendy Barrie. 12:50, 3:25, 6, 8:35.

Keith Memorial—"Flesh and Fantasy," Charles Boyer, Barbara Stanwyck, Edward G. Robinson. 9:30 a. m., 12:30, 3:35, 6:40, 9:45. "She's for Me," Orsce McDonald, David Bruce. 11:30 a. m., 3:35, 5:40, 8:45.

Kenmore—"Above Suspicion," Joan Crawford, Fred MacMurray. 3, 6:20, 9:50. "Tennessee Johnson," Van Heflin, Lionel Barrymore. 1, 4:20, 8.

Majestic—"Escape," Norma Shearer, Robert Taylor. 10 a. m., 1:19, 4:38, 7:57. "Come Live with Me," Hedy LaMarr, James Stewart. 11:48 a. m., 3, 6:24, 9:40.

Metropolitan—"Princess O'Rourke," Olivia de Havilland, Robert Cummings. 10 a. m., 12:45, 3:45, 6:48, 9:30. "Adventures in Iraq," John Loder, Ruth Ford. 11:40 a. m., 2:30, 5:30, 8:25.

Modern—"Thank Your Lucky Stars," all-star cast. 9:10 a. m., 12:10, 3:10, 6:10, 9:10. "Murder on the Waterfront," John Loder, Ruth Ford. 11:15 a. m., 2:15, 5:15, 8:15.

Orpheum—"The Adventures of Tartu," Robert Donat, Valerie Hobson. 9:30 a. m., 12:36, 3:52, 6:28, 10:14. "Young Ideas," Mary Astor, Herbert Marshall. 11:12 a. m., 2:28, 5:34, 8:50.

Paramount—"Sweet Rosie O'Grady," Betty Grable, Robert Young, Adolphe Menjou. 10:50 a. m., 1:20, 4:18, 7, 9:40. "Submarine Alert," Richard Arlen, Wendy Barrie. 9:30 a. m., 12:10, 2:55, 5:35, 8:30.

RKO-Boston—"Rookies in Burma," Wally Brown, Alan Carney. 10:55 a. m., 1:55, 4:55, 8, 10:15. Stage Show: 12:35, 3:35, 6:30, 9:10.

Scollay—"Happy Land," Don Ameche, Frances Dee. 11:05 a. m., 1:45, 4:25, 7:05, 9:50. "Dancing Masters," Laurel and Hardy. 10 a. m., 12:40, 3:20, 6, 8:40.

South Station Theater—"Voice That Thrilled the World," "Swan Lake Ballet." "Babies by Bannister," "Sing, Helen, Sing!" "Passing Parade," "Phony Express," "In the Desert," latest newsreels and other shorts. Continuous 9 a. m. to 11 p. m.

State—"The Adventures of Tartu," Robert Donat, Valerie Hobson. 11:30 a. m., 3:03, 6:27, 10. "Young Ideas," Mary Astor, Herbert Marshall. 1:32, 4:56, 8:26.

Telepix—"March of Time," "The Battle of Tarawa," "Golf at Sky Top," "India and Oriental Rugs," "John Nesbitt," "Miniature Western," "Flicker Flashbacks," color cartoon, latest newsreels. Continuous 10:30 a. m. to midnight.

Uptown—"Paris After Dark," George Sanders, Brenda Marshall. 1:15, 4:40, 8:05. "Sahara," Humphrey Bogart, 2:45, 6:10, 9:35.

Washington Street Olympia—"Happy Land," Don Ameche, Frances Dee. 10:45 a. m., 1:30, 4:15, 6:55, 9:40. "Dancing Masters," Laurel and Hardy. 9:30 a. m., 12:15, 2:55, 5:40, 8:20.

Films in Suburbs

ALLSTON—Capitol: "Thank Your Lucky Stars," Humphrey Bogart, Bette Davis. "Murder on the Waterfront," John Loder, Ruth Ford. 1:45, 7:50.
Allston: "Bedtime Story," Fredric March, Loretta Young. "Spitfire," Leslie Howard. 1:45, 7:45.

ARLINGTON—Capitol: "Salute to the Marines," Walace Beery. "Honeymoon Lodge," David Bruce, Harriet Hilliard.
Regent: "White Savage," Maria Monter, Jon Hall. "Keep 'Em Slugging," Dead End Kids.

BRAINTREE—Braintree: "The Sky's the Limit," Fred Astaire, Joan Leslie. "Pilot No. 5," Franchot Tone, Maraha Hunt. 1:45. Continuous from 6:45.

BRIGHTON—Egyptian: "You Were Never Lovelier," Fred Astaire, Rita Hayworth. "Tennessee Johnson," Van Heflin, Ruth Hussey. 1:45, 7:45.

BROOKLINE—Brookline Village: "Youngest Profession," John Carroll, Virginia Weidler. "Buckskin Frontier," Richard Dix.
Coolidge Corner: "Fired Wife," Robert Paige, Louise Allbritton. "Somewhere in France," Constance Cummings.
Cleveland Circle: "Let's Face It," Bob Hope, Betty Hutton. "Top Man," Donald O'Connor. 1:45, 7:45.

CAMBRIDGE — Central Square: "Johnny Come Lately," James Cagney, Grace George. "Sahara," Humphrey Bogart. 1:50, 8.
Harvard: "The Fallen Sparrow," Maureen O'Hara, John Garfield. "Lost Canyon," William Boyd. 2, 8.
University: "Let's Face It," Bob Hope, Betty Hutton. 2:34, 6:30, 9:40. "Somewhere in France," Constance Cummings. 1:45, 4:35, 8:05.

DORCHESTER—Dorchester: "This Is the Army," Joan Leslie, George Murphy.
Codman Square: "Iron Major," Pat O'Brien. "Paris After Dark," George Sanders. 1:30, 7:45.
Franklin: "Iron Major," Pat O'Brien. "Paris After Dark," George Sanders. 1:05, 5, 8:55.

EVERETT—Capitol: "The Fallen Sparrow," John Garfield, Maureen O'Hara. 1:22, 5:37, 9:50. "Melody Parade," Mary Beth Hughes. 3:07, 7:35.
Park: "The Sky Is 'the Limit," Fred Astaire, Joan Leslie. "The Constant Nymph," Charles Boyer, Joan Fontaine.

HYDE PARK—Fairmount: "It Ain't Chicago," Tyrone Power, Alice Faye. "Banjo on My Knee," Joel McCrea. Continuous from 1:30.

JAMAICA PLAIN—Jamaica: "Let's Face It," Bob Hope, Betty Hutton. "The Fallen Sparrow," John Garfield, Maureen O'Hara. 1:45, 7:45.

LEXINGTON—Lexington: "Mr. Lucky," Cary Grant. 3:30, 8:15. "Two Senoritas from Chicago," Jinx Falkenburg. 4:10, 9:55.

MALDEN—Granada: "Murder on the Waterfront," John Loder, Ruth Ford. 1:40, 4:50, 8. "Thank Your Lucky Stars," Eddie Cantor, Ann Sheridan. 2:35, 5:45, 8:55.
Mystic: "Here Comes Elmer," Al Pearce, Dale Evans. 2:15, 8:15. "Chance of a Lifetime," Chester Morris, Jeanne Bates. 3:36, 7, 9:55.
Maplewood: "American Empire," Richard Dix, Leo Carrillo. 3:25, 9:25. "I Walked with a Zombie," Frances Dee, Tom Conway. 2:12, 8:12.
Strand: "Unknown Guest," Pamela Blake. "Mystery Broadcast," F. Albertson.

MATTAPAN—Oriental: "Thank Your Lucky Stars," all-star cast. "Sherlock Holmes Faces Death," Basil Rathbone. 1:45, 7:45.

MEDFORD—Medford: "The Fallen Sparrow," John Garfield. "Buckskin Frontier," Richard Dix, Jane Wyatt.
Fellsway: "Heaven

More Temperance Study Backed at Women's Parley

Women's Activities

By Alice Myers
Assistant Woman's Editor of The Christian Science Monitor

Increased temperance education, more effective teaching of the democratic way of life, and higher school budgets were advocated this morning by speakers at a meeting of the Boston City Federation at the Y. W. C. A.

Arthur T. Lyman, State Commissioner of Correction, urged that the crime problem in Massachusetts be tackled from the point of view of education in temperance as well as social work with the children of parents who are excessive users of alcoholic beverages. He disclosed that one or both parents in 50 per cent of the cases of those committed to our State penal institutions are excessive users of liquor.

Pointing out that approximately an equal number are children of foreign-born parents, he made a plea for more adequate adult education in our democratic way of life and also for particular attention by school teachers to the problems surrounding the home life of children of such parents.

Failure to provide adequate school budgets was listed by Dr. Howard M. LeSourd, Dean of Boston University Graduate School, as a grave danger to the education of the coming generation. He warned that the pressure of high Federal taxes would probably lead local governments to try to keep down local school taxes. "It is your responsibility to see that this is not done," he said.

The Commissioner of Correction also recommended a campaign for respect for law and order. This respect, he declared, can only be brought about by stopping once and for all "fixing" of cases and "protection."

Speaking on "Danger Spots in American Education," Dean LeSourd said it was not our main objectives that were threatened, but the ways and means of carrying them out. He called attention to the following weaknesses: failure to teach democracy effectively, to develop character sufficiently, to teach youngsters to think, to give them adequate national and international vision, to provide adequate personnel work and vocational guidance, and to use audio-visual aids in teaching. He stressed the need for vigorous propagandizing for democracy in our schools. No one should come out of our class rooms lacking faith in democracy, he declared.

Institute Festival

Games, dancing, and a pageant entitled "Christmas in Many Lands" will all contribute to the general merriment this evening when the Junior Advisory Council of the International Institute holds a Christmas festival at 190 Beacon Street. The proceeds will go to the building fund of the Institute.

Miss Hazel Chamberlain and Miss Elvira Almeida have general charge of the affair. Officers of the Junior Advisory Council are: Miss Ann Bencal of Marshfield, Chairman; Miss Chamberlain, Vice Chairman; Miss May Onishi of Hyde Park, Secretary, and Miss Wanda Herman of Jamaica Plain, Treasurer.

Waltz Evening

Red and green decorations will make a gay background for tonight's Waltz Evening at the Copley-Plaza Hotel. Attendance at this popular series of dances is a pleasant way to share in the Christmas of our prisoners of war, for the waltz parties raise money for packages to be sent to them. A number of cash donations have been contributed for this purpose, too, according to Mrs. Russell Howell, committee Chairman of the Waltz Evenings. Music is furnished by Ruby Newman's special waltz orchestra.

Children's Party

Children will be entertained at the Women's Republican Club tomorrow afternoon with a Christmas program that includes bell ringers, the "Cummings Kiddie Revue," and dance numbers by Sandra Lee Logan and a group of boys and girls. All young relatives and friends of members are invited. The festivities begin at 2 o'clock under the direction of Mrs. William C. Cusack, chairman of the Activities Department.

Meeting Saturday

New Hampshire's Daughters—A holiday sale will be held at the Hotel Vendome at 1 o'clock. Miss Josephine Poor, dramatic reader will entertain; Mrs. Stanley B. Dolley is to preside.

Boston Parliamentary Law Club—Topic for study; To Postpone Indefinitely, and Motions Relating to Voting. Mrs. Henry B. Estabrook will preside.

34 Graduate For Merchant Marine Ships

In historic Faneuil Hall—where American liberty is said to have been born—a class of 34 Massachusetts boys this afternoon received diplomas and Federal licenses for junior officers aboard American merchant ships, vitally needed in the world-wide struggle to preserve the American way of life, at the 99th graduation ceremony of the former Massachusetts Nautical School, now known as the Massachusetts Maritime Academy.

Boston's now officially recognized Coast Guard Band rendered musical selections to start the ceremonies over which Theodore L. Storer, Commissioner of the Academy, presided. William H. Collins, Vice-President of the Bethlehem - Hingham Shipyard, and Fore River Shipyard, was the speaker. Copies of the Bible were presented to each graduate by the Massachusetts Bible Society. Each graduate was commissioned as an Ensign in the Merchant Marine Reserve.

Four prizes were awarded for scholastic and other qualifications. The prize awarded by the late Irving L. Wood for the highest mark in seamanship and navigation for the year went to Peter Karonis of Chelsea who graduated in the class of July 29, 1943. Other honor students, all in today's class, were: Bertram D. Fecteau of Lynn, George L. Partlow of Springfield and Henry P. Zani of Wellesley.

The Academy maintains a shore base at Hyannis, Mass., where previous graduations have been held, dating back to the time the school became known as an Academy. Capt. C. O. Bassett, U. S. N. R., is the new Superintendent of the Academy, where 234 cadets are now enrolled.

Ration Dates For Consumers

Meats, Butter, Etc. — Brown stamps "L," "M," "N," and "P" now valid; expire Jan. 1; "R" stamps valid Dec. 26; "S," Jan. 2; "T," Jan. 9; and "U," Jan. 16; all expire Jan. 29.

Sugar—Today—Stamp No. 29 (marked "sugar") on the last page of Book No. 4 now valid for five pounds; expires Jan. 15, 1944.

Canned Goods—First series of Green Stamps "A," "B," and "C" in Book No. 4 now valid; expire Dec. 20. Green stamps "D," "E," and "F" now valid through Jan. 20. Green Stamps "G," "H," and "J" become valid Jan. 1; expire Feb. 20.

Gasoline—New "A" No. 8 gasoline coupons now valid for three gallons each; expire Feb. 9.

New B-2 and C-2 coupons now good for 5 gallons each. B-1 and C-1 coupons still good for 2 gallons each. Expiration dates vary. Each coupon must be endorsed in ink with State and registration number.

Fuel Oil—Period 1 fuel oil coupons now good until Jan. 4, 1944. Period 2 coupons now good until Feb. 8. (Class 4, small domestic users, 10 gallons; class 5, large domestic users, 50 gallons.)

Shoes—Stamp No. 18 and Stamp 1 on "Airplane" sheet of Book 3 now valid for one pair. Both good indefinitely.

Stoves — Rationing began Aug. 24; purchase certificates obtainable from local boards.

Tires—New deadline for tire inspection for B and C book holders Feb. 29.

New pre-war and synthetic tires now restricted to "C" cars with mileage of more than 601. New "war tires" of reclaimed rubber available to "B" book holders and low-mileage "C" book drivers.

Boston Servicemen Not to Lack Sweets

Despite an admitted shortage of popcorn this year, servicemen in hospitals around Boston and at near-by harbor outposts will have sweets for Christmas as usual from the Junior Red Cross.

Under the supervision of Miss Mary Cauley, Director of Household Science in the Boston schools, the girls have made 6,000 puffed-rice balls and 400 pounds of candy for distribution at Christmas parties during this week and next.

Ira C. Ward

PLYMOUTH, Mass., Dec. 17—Ira C. Ward, who passed on here yesterday, served on the Massachusetts Legislature from 1929 to 1942 and was considered the oldest member of the House at the time of his retirement. He was a local selectman for six years and also was town forest fire warden from 1914 to 1937.

Born in Carver, Mr. Ward was directly related to warriors in the War of 1812 and the American Revolution. He attended Plymouth High. Locally he was in the contracting business. Mr. Ward organized the old Plymouth Rock Band and was a member of the Eagles, Elks, and Sons of the American Revolution.

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Mayor's Wife Aids Scrap Drive

Mrs. Maurice J. Tobin Ties Up Newspapers

Setting an example of housewives of Greater Boston, Mrs. Tobin is shown in the kitchen of her home tying up a large bundle of newspapers made ready for the waste paper collection. Magazines in another pile have already been fastened securely together.

Big Decline in Home Building Forecasts Vast Postwar Boom

The Real Estate Week

By Clifford W. Harvey
Staff Writer of The Christian Science Monitor

Tending to confirm broad-scale predictions of a vast home-building boom in Massachusetts after the war, statistics released by the State Department of Labor and Industries reveals that Massachusetts had reached its lowest construction ebb in 16 years of compiling building figures on a statewide basis.

Back in 1927 when the Department first undertook monthly checks on the building of homes and industrial plants in 68 communities, the aggregate investment in building was $181,000,000. The all-building figure for the first 11 months of 1943 dropped to slightly more than $23,000,000 with little expectation of its passing $24,000,000 by the end of the year.

Most of the $23,000,000 was spent on nonresidential construction with less than $10,000,000 going into new homes. In fact the Department pointed out that home building declined this year by 44 per cent as compared with last year, and all of this construction was necessarily in the low-cost brackets demanded by wartime regulations.

Thus the potential demand for postwar housing gained heavy stimulus from the current year's drop in building. And the stabilization of war plant capacity virtually assures Massachusetts of a continual wartime decline in this type of construction. Industrial capacity has been so increased, however, that postwar construction of plants will be in little demand. Emphasis will be placed on home building.

The $9,643,289 spent on homes so far this year is a drop of 50 per cent in five years. The November figure of $84,593 spent on homes includes only 29 buildings, three of which are multi-family structures, 15 are camps and 11 single family residences.

Normal home building in the State runs well up towards the $100,000,000 figure. Residential building, in itself, is still slightly above the 1933 of $9,513,000. But another year of war will undoubtedly pull home building down close to zero, it is reliably predicted.

Not even the low ebb of the depression produced less building dollars than 1943, it was found. More than $25,000,000 was spent in 1933 which will probably better this year's mark by at least $1,000,000.

Plastic Paint

Plastic paint is not all that it is cracked up to be, Greater Boston home owners are finding out.

Complaints received by the Boston Better Business Bureau from home owners who were induced by high-pressure salesmen to paint with so-called "plastic paint" contend that the paint they got has peeled and in some instances has, washed off into great puddles around the houses.

Costs of painting ran into $400 to $600 and the jobs were guaranteed for 20 years. But what good is a guarantee when those who sold the paint have suddenly disappeared from this part of the country, the complainants stated.

Representations reported in this scheme were that the paint job would be used as a model to show other home owners, and that the model home owner would receive a commission for every job undertaken as a result of showing his place. In this way, the home owner is led to believe that the original cost of his paint job would be readily wiped out. Instead, it was the paint on his house that was wiped out.

This is a growing racket, the Bureau warns. So make sure who does your plastic paint job. The Bureau's services are always available for such protection.

Postwar Kitchens

The kitchen of tomorrow under development in research laboratories will be a multiple purpose room easily convertible into a playroom or study with built-in appliances, a concealed dish-washing unit and combination refrigerator and breakfast service counter.

Time and temperature-controlled cooking units, with foods cooked and served in the same containers, are expected to make the preparation of meals a pleasant duty for postwar housewives.

10,082 Women Placed

Women placed in jobs in Massachusetts last month by the United States Employment Service numbered 10,082, it has been announced by Powell M. Cabot, State Manpower Director. This was 43 per cent of all placements.

Background Of Fall River Strike Is Told

More details of what the strike in the Fall River cotton mills, the biggest in the State at present, is about were disclosed today by insiders. Though there has been much furore about the dispute which threatens to make 9,000 or 10,000 idle possibly by the end of this week, the full story has not yet come into general circulation.

One of the key men who previously was unwilling to go into the cause of the walkout of the Loom Fixers' Union gave the following explanation today.

There is a shortage of loom fixers in the mills. Vacancies are so numerous that some mills are handicapped. Some are so hard put that they would like to appoint men to loom fixers' jobs, but they didn't dare, because this might provoke the Loom Fixers' Union to walk out.

The Loom Fixers' Union is an old independent organization which demands that every loom fixer in the mills be a member. They don't care whether anyone is a member of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, so long as he is a member of the loom fixers' union. They have not refused to take C. I. O. men, and a number of C. I. O. men are members.

The C. I. O. textile workers' union has bargaining rights in all but two of the mills, which it won through a National Labor Relations Board election. The Loom Fixers' Union has now no bargaining rights.

Recently the employers' association made a verbal agreement with the C. I. O. union to appoint C. I. O. men to loom fixers' jobs. Appointments were made of a number.

It was not, however, the number of C. I. O. men who were named for these jobs, but the fact that appointees in their craft were made outside of the Loom Fixers' Union. This would break the front of the loom fixers' organization. It was its long run effect that the independent was apprehensive of, as it was obvious the plan might ultimately break the Loom Fixers' Union.

On the other hand C. I. O. members as such have no opportunity to become loom fixers, unless they join the Loom Fixers' Union.

The C. I. O. men who were appointed to loom fixer vacancies were weavers. Loom fixers come from weavers. Some are not proficient, but at least they must have some aptitude at loom fixing to be of use.

This arrangement was verbal. It was not a part of the written contract recently signed.

Wakefield Scouts' Placard Plan Facilitates Waste Paper Salvage

Boy Scouts of Wakefield have, they believe, hit upon a plan of waste paper collection which will ferret out the maximum amount of the now precious commodity from the households of their town.

Yesterday the Scouts visited Wakefield homes with cards which housewives could display in their windows when there was enough scrap paper accumulated to be collected. When the Scouts see the placards, they will call at the house and pick up the waste paper. This relieves Wakefield householders from having to get the paper out onto the sidewalk possibly in unfavorable weather, and insures collection of all of it.

The Boston waste paper collection has proceeded to success. Four days have yielded 785,335 pounds toward the goal that salvage chairman George G. Hyland set for himself, and predictions now are that today's final pickups covering Wards 19 to 22 will put the figure beyond the 1,000,000-pound mark.

This is nearly three times the November collection record.

Yesterday's collection alone yielded 321,345 pounds as compared with 167,600 pounds from the same wards a month ago—Wards 15 through 18.

Tin collections are not as encouraging, for they fell considerably short of the November mark. The total at the end of the day yesterday was 176,180 pounds; at the same point in the November collections the figure was 211,640 pounds.

In the reclamation of waste paper, which Commissioner Hyland points out is of supreme importance right now, Ward 16 of Dorchester leads the city. Citizens of this section turned in 108,345 pounds yesterday. Nearest runner-up is Ward 17 with 75,000 pounds.

Southern New England Food Cheaper; Boston Cost Cut 1.3 P. C. in November

Food prices declined a bit throughout southern New England last month, in contrast with the previous rising trend at a number of points, it is indicated by the monthly food price reports released here today by the Federal Government.

Lowering of retail food prices were reported as follows:

Boston, 1.3 per cent.
Fall River, 1.5 per cent.
Providence, R. I., .5 per cent.
New Haven, Conn., 1.1 per cent.
Manchester, N. H., .5 per cent.

A slight decline was also found at Bridgeport, Conn.

The only exception in the list of seven New England cities covered by the food surveys turned up at Portland, Maine, where prices rose one tenth of one per cent.

Cost of living declined six tenths of one per cent in Boston in November. This drop was due entirely to the decrease in food prices. The principal food item to come down was pork products.

Trend in the cost of living in Boston had before been up for two months. It now stands, according to Federal figures, 1.7 per cent higher than a year ago and 19.7 per cent higher than in January of 1941, the base month of the "Little Steel" formula of the National War Labor Board for stabilizing wages.

Announcement of the cost of living and food price data was made here by Wendell D. Macdonald, Regional Price Economist of the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor.

Young Women Aid In Sorting Mail

More than 150 young women are today helping sort mail at the South Postal Annex and in the main post office at Boston, where one of the heaviest Christmas mail loads in history is being handled.

The postal authorities have engaged hundreds of young boys and men to augment the regular staff which has been seriously depleted by exigencies of the war.

More than a dozen of the young men and boys have been charged with mail thefts since the "extras" have been put to work, and the cases have been referred to the United States Attorney's office for prosecution, it was disclosed by Federal authorities. Inspectors said that letters containing money have been taken in some cases, and in other cases, gifts addressed to soldiers and sailors in this area have disappeared.

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Report on Milk Control About Due for Governor

While sub-zero weather this past week caused many a Northern New England "bossy" to hold out on "giving down" her usual seasonal gain in milk production, long conferences behind closed doors into the finances and efficiency of the Massachusetts Division of Milk Control were nearing completion, and a report to Governor Saltonstall is expected shortly.

At the same time, ways of avoiding coupon rationing of milk and the lifting of quota restrictions during the forthcoming "flush" season of dairy production were suggested topics for discussion by the Advisory Committee of the New England Milk Producers' Association.

All of which means that New England consumers, while not likely to see any considerable increase in milk supplies next week over this past week—which were 8 per cent above the extreme low point reached in November—may be reassured that the milk situation is receiving close consideration in a number of quarters.

Investigation into the State Division of Milk Control was requested by Governor Saltonstall, it is understood, and is said to have resulted from hundreds of complaints from housewives and storekeepers at the time the extreme shortage of fluid milk brought about distributor-imposed rationing.

A subject which is holding the attention of the investigators, it was learned, is the mounting receipts of the Milk Control Board—the revenue obtained from assessments levied on producers and distributors. Conducting the probe are: Walter S. Morgan, State Comptroller; Charles W. Greenough, Budget Commissioner; George J. Cronin, Purchasing Agent, and Paul W. Foster.

During the meeting at the State House yesterday on the fuel situation, the New England Governors also considered the closely related problems of milk and the feed supply. They plan to set up an over-all food production program for presentation to Federal authorities.

Meantime, Charles L. Foote, OPA Regional Price Executive and Chairman of the Milk Producers' Advisory Committee, was asked to call a meeting of the group to discuss the following topics:

1. Avoidance of coupon ration of fluid milk in New England.
2. Removal of the milk and cream quotas under Order 79 during the months of flush production, to permit the best possible utilization of the available milk supply.
3. In the event that quota restrictions under Order 79 are not removed, the need for a survey of facilities for manufacturing milk in New England, to determine their capacity, location and availability.
4. The general problem of insuring the most efficient use of New England's milk supply.

Just a Case of Rubbish

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Allies Consolidate Hold in New Britain—Berlin Charred Again by RAF Bombing

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Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters was the first since the bulletins Dec. 16 telling of the landing of Army troops on the southwest coast of Japan's main island base in the Southwest Pacific.

There were no further details of the action at Arawe, but the announcement that Texas army units were consolidating their positions indicated there was little if any additional opposition after the brief skirmishes accompanying the amphibious landings.

Patrols are probably branching out into the rain-soaked jungle in reconnaissance missions seeking to contact the Japanese.

At the same time, General MacArthur's headquarters announced that Australians on the western side of Vitiaz Strait were making "good progress" up the Huon Peninsula of New Guinea and capture of Lakona was "imminent."

With but few casualties, considering the scope of the operation, the American Sixth Army moved shoreward with powerful naval and air support, and seven hours after the first assault at dawn Dec. 15, Brig. Gen. Jullian Cunningham, commander of the invading force, notified Gen. Douglas MacArthur, "Our objective is attained."

It was the first concerted action for the Sixth Army, commanded by Lieut. Gen. Walter Krueger, and it won a strategically important position for the Allies, giving them command of the southern entrance to Vitiaz and Dampier straits which separate New Britain from the northeast coast of New Guinea, now firmly held by the Australians.

Destroyer Force Pounded Arawe

A United States destroyer force under Rear Admiral Daniel Barbey pounded Arawe and the tiny islands at the entrance to the harbor before the first army-assault troops shoved off in force for the shore. Heavy and medium bombers added their explosives to the tons of steel thrown at the enemy.

Preceding the principal assault, aimed at Orange Beach at the foot of the peninsula, a force composed mostly of Texans under Capt. Edward Wright of Dallas slipped away from the invading fleet in rubber boats, intent on making the first beachhead at the top of the peninsula, to cut the Japanese retreat line.

But the Texans were met with heavy machine-gun and light cannon fire as they neared the shore, and their attack ended on a reef, with one quarter of the force killed or wounded. These were the principal casualties of the entire operation.

General MacArthur, directing the operation from a small island off the north coast of New Guinea, said not a plane of the American and Australian squadrons that supported the action was lost, nor was any of our naval or transport ships lost.

The main assault troops hit the beach from their Higgins landing boats and speedily proceeded to mop up the few Japanese who attempted resistance from dugouts.

Aside from the volume of bombs and shells hurled at the defenders preceding and during the assault, the Allied Air Force had softened up the invaded area Dec. 14 with a 356-ton bombing.

As in this previous bombing, the Japanese Air Force was absent during the early stage of the landing, but put in an appearance after the troops had the area mastered and Admiral Barbey's destroyers were moving away.

A score of enemy dive bombers finally came over to make a few ineffectual passes over the beach and drop bombs near a zigzagging destroyer, which had blossomed with antiaircraft fire.

Allied fighters dived from heavy cloud banks to drive off the attackers, shooting down two of the enemy and keeping control of the air.

The Japanese had established a barge hideout, float-plane base, and communications center at Arawe in February, 1942, after they had wrested New Britain from a small Australian garrison.

The Arawe peninsula is 85 miles west of Gasmata, enemy supply and air center which has been pounded frequently of late by Allied bombers, and 70 miles from Cape Gloucester, another Japanese air base on the western tip of the long, narrow, hooked island.

New Britain Invasion Toughest in 30 Years

By the Associated Press

Southwest Pacific Allied Headquarters, Dec. 17

The American Sixth Army landing at Arawe, New Britain, Wednesday was the third armed invasion of that crescent-shaped island in 30 years —and the toughest.

The Australians were the first to seize the island Sept. 11, 1914, when New Britain was part of the German possession known as Kaiser Wilhelm Land.

New Britain remained in this status until Jan. 23, 1942, when a Japanese force moved in on Rabaul.

Air Warfare:

Berlin Again Aflame From RAF Bombing

Berlin was turned to fields of flame and smoke again the night of Dec. 16-17 as hundreds of giant RAF bombers attacked the Nazi nerve center for the 41st time this year.

Stockholm dispatches said the Capital city was burning again Dec. 17 after a two-week respite, the flames from its gutted buildings "reddening the sky." Telephone communication was irregular, and the Capital's transport was reported paralyzed from streets choked with debris.

The sixth raid on the Capital in a month was launched from Britain just after American Liberators and Flying Fortresses returned in twilight from their daylight raids on Northwest Germany. The 8th Air Force did not specify the Americans' target, but the German communiqué said the fleets were over Helgoland Bay and "dropped a great number of high explosives and incendiary bombs on residential quarters in a number of localities in Northwestern Germany" and Bremen. It acknowledged particularly heavy damage to Bremen itself, the big U-boat base which the Americans battered also on Nov. 26 and 29.

The degree of the Berlin assault —more than 1,500 long tons of bombs — and the determination with which it was pressed home despite the loss of 30 bombers left no doubt that the RAF intends to finish the job of leveling what remains of the Capital city's acres of factories, Government buildings, financial institutions, and warehouses.

With the latest attack, which came before Berliners had a chance to fall asleep, more than 15,000 tons of high explosives and incendiaries have been showered upon the blackened and shattered city.

There was no clear indication as to what area of Berlin the RAF concentrated on, although private information reaching Sweden indicated that the central section had suffered heavily.

The Swiss Radio said the Foreign Office district was struck, and one Berlin radiocast clung to the familiar line that the residential area had been the target.

The German High Command, in its radiocast communiqué, acknowledged only that "considerable damage" had resulted.

While the heavy bombers were thus engaged, Mosquitoes stabbed at Western Germany and other planes attacked targets in Northern France.

Russia:

Soviets Hold Edge West of Kiev

Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's First Ukraine Army appeared to have firmly established the upper hand west of Kiev on Dec. 17 after more than five weeks of desperate fighting against heavy German infantry and tank attacks.

Russian counterattacks dislodged the enemy from several settlements in the Teterev River sector 55 miles west of the Ukraine Capital for the second successive day, Dec. 16, the Russian communiqué said, enabling General Vatutin's columns to resume their drive northwest of Radomysl.

Nazi Marshal Fritz von Manstein's hold on that important stronghold, lying between the Korosten-Kiev and Zhitomir-Kiev main highways, now is seriously threatened by the Russian gains, dispatches from the front indicated.

Meanwhile, Gen. Ivan S. Konev's Second Ukraine Army, 200 miles to the south, pressed its attack below captured Cherkasy toward the rail junction of Smela and repulsed fierce German counterattacks launched from the partly encircled industrial city of Kirovograd, 65 miles southwest of Kremenchug.

In these twin drives on Smela and Kirovograd, Red Army airmen participated by blasting the Smela Railway Station and blowing up an enemy train and other transport, the Russian war bulletin said.

The German Radio, admitting strong Russian counterdrives west of Kiev, announced at the same time that at least three Soviet offensives were now under way in White Russia, one south of Nevel, a second west of Krichev in the Mogilev area, and the third southwest of Zhlobin. Berlin said heavy fighting was taking place on all three fronts, but that the Russians have failed to achieve material gains.

Good visibility which followed days of blizzards permitted extensive air activity, the Moscow communiqué said, and the Red Army Air Force reported 100 German planes shot down in air combat or by antiaircraft fire.

Wiart Reaches China On Liaison Mission

By the Associated Press

Chungking, China, Dec. 17

Lieut. Gen. Adrian Carton de Wiart, personal representative of Prime Minister Churchill and Admiral Lord Louis Mounthatten, Allied Commander in Southeast Asia, to President Chiang Kai-shek, arrived in Chungking today.

The General arranged to call within the next few days on President Chiang and other important Government officials.

The original announcement of his appointment said it was made "in order to cement further close collaboration among the United Nations in prosecution of the war in the Far East."

Italy:

French Troops Join In Allied Successes

French troops, entering the war on the European mainland for the first time since 1940, have scored outstanding successes against the Germans in mountain fighting in Central Italy, it was announced Dec. 17.

The French have been in forward positions alongside British and American soldiers for some time, but their presence was not disclosed until this communiqué from Allied Headquarters.

They are the same troops which fought alongside the Allies in Tunisia, but since then have been completely re-equipped with American uniforms, guns, and materials.

Soon after moving up to the battle front, the French participated in a series of local attacks, capturing several important German hilltop positions and taking a number of prisoners, who expressed surprise at finding the French in action.

The French forces had been trained in North Africa under the direction of Gen. Henri Giraud and their use of American arms came under arrangements made at the Casablanca conference last January.

Their presence caused a sensation among the Italian people, and the quick successes of the French soldiers contrasted sharply with the abortive efforts recently of the first Italian militia to be sent into the Allied lines.

Announcement of the participation of the French coincided with an aerial assault for the second successive day on German communications and supply lines in the Alpine region of Northern Italy, where heavy bombers wrecked rail facilities at Padua and Dogna.

Ground fighting by both the Fifth and Eighth Armies was confined largely to consolidating previous gains and to local battles for strategic advantages.

Gen. Mark W. Clark's Allied troops on the western end of the battle front assaulted the German bastion of San Pietro, which guards the road to Rome, and the attacking infantry ran into a series of concrete pillboxes and other strong points resulting in firece hand-to-hand fighting.

The Germans have rushed mountain troops from Russia and put them into the battle line to help bolster defenses against heavy pressure by the Fifth Army, it was disclosed.

They were identified as mountain-trained troops which last were heard of near Leningrad about Nov. 1.

In addition, the enemy also has moved up a battle group composed of infantry plus artillery to reinforce the sector held by the 15th Armored Grenadiers who were largely dispersed by American troops in Sicily.

China:

Chinese troops battling to drive the Japanese out of the Rice Bowl region south of the Lin River now are engaged in fighting on the outskirts of three important towns—Lihsien, Ansiang and Nanhsien, the Chinese High Command has announced.

If successful in recapturing these strongholds on the north side of Tungting Lake, the Chinese would need to close a gap of only 40 miles to complete the encirclement of all remnants of the enemy forces retreating from Changteh, the High Command said.

American Sky Dragons under Brig. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, as well as China's own air force, were co-operating in almost continuous bombing and strafing activities against the invaders in that area, as well as against the bases from which they were being supplied.

Retribution

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use was made of "gasenwagen," a hermetically sealed Diesel-driven van, into which carbon monoxide gas from the exaust is piped. This vehicle of gas execution, according to one of the accused, Senior Corporal Reinhardt Retzlau, "fully answered its purpose."

By their own frank admission, the accused were especially zealous in torturing and killing women, children, and the feeble, going about their unspeakably gruesome duty with a singular thoroughness, not questioning the instruments of a policy handed down from above.

The official indictment points out that the deliberate Nazi overall policy as formulated by Hitler and Reichsmarshal Hermann Göring was and is the extermination of Soviet citizens and all Slavic peoples—Russians, Ukrainians, Poles, and Czechs.

According to the testimony of others incorporated in the indictment, Georg Heinrich, described as Rudolph Hesse's former chief of staff, told a meeting of his district commissars last August, "Extermination of the maximum number of citizens of Soviet Russia can only benefit Germany as it weakens Russia."

Though the actual defendants standing before the bar in the present trial are extremely small fry—of themselves scarcely worth troubling with—the magnitude of their crimes towers far above their individual paltriness, typifying and symbolizing Nazi crimes not only in the invaded portion of the Soviet Union but in Poland, Czechoslovakia and elsewhere in Europe.

Today in Kharkov it is actually Hitler, Göring and all their accomplices and those criminally responsible for carrying out their policy who are standing collective trial by proxy. In connection with the significance of the present trial Investia points out editorially: "The historic Roosevelt-Stalin-and-Churchill declaration warned German bandits that the peoples' evenging hand will find all responsible for perpetrated crimes even at the ends of the earth and not one among them will escape judgment and punishment under the laws of the country where they perpetrated their crimes." The famous Soviet writer Alexei Tolstoy, reporting the trial in Pravda, calls it "the first trial which opens the period of great, awful judgment on Germans who have been transgressing the law of humanity."

All reporters comment on the cold, matter-of-fact indifference in which the accused, standing in the glare of Kleig lights, recount their ghastly deeds. Two of the three defense lawyers, appointed by the court, figured in the Moscow treason trials before the war. The appearance in the indictment of names other than German officials, such as the aforementioned Heinrich not among present to be accused, confirms writer Tolstoy's suggestion that other trials are in store.

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I.L.O. Session in London To Draft Social Agenda

By J. Emlyn Williams
Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

LONDON, Dec. 17—The meeting here of the Governing Body of the International Labor Organization is generally welcomed as practical evidence that the British and American Governments genuinely intend to encourage before the war ends expert preparations for the social reconstruction which the democratic world considers essential to a lasting peace.

This London meeting marks an important stage in the I. L. O.'s development. Three years ago United States Ambassador, Mr. John G. Winant, was proceeding from Geneva to the United States and it was uncertain whether the organization's center would be the United States or Canada.

The meeting must decide as its important question the date, place, and agenda of the next [twenty-sixth] conference which "is expected to define steps to be taken by the United Nations to give effect to the social principles outlined in the Atlantic Charter."

A Major Conference

The conference therefore must be ranked with the United Nations Conference on Food and Agriculture at Hot Springs and the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration meeting at Atlantic City dealing with postwar action.

Authoritative discussions in the British press during the past few weeks suggest that this meeting is the result of pressure from international labor organizations and from the smaller states which feared the great powers were aiming at replacing the I. L. O. by some new organizations of their own.

This meeting, therefore, is interpreted as a check on that tendency and important because it means, first, preservation of the continuity of an international organization which is the only international instrument of the 1919 peace treaties still vital; second, I. L. O. is a formal association of employers and workers as distinct from their governments in post-war reconstruction.

Great Social Changes

Present meeting, at which there are 32 delegates, 16 Government representatives, 8 employers and 8 workers, was officially opened by Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Minister of Labor, and himself a strong supporter of the I. L. O.

He underlined the importance of great social changes which must be introduced on the basis of respect for human rather than mere financial standards.

"I believe that the essential need for the future is not a financial budget but a human one," Mr. Bevin said. "It is not impossible to deal with cycles of boom and depression if governments have the facts before them in advance, just as they have had financial facts in front of them hitherto. In other words, we must make our statistical forecasts in the form of the right use of manpower and not only of money."

Goodrich Chairman

The United States Government is represented at the meeting by Prof. Carter Goodrich of New York, chairman of the body. Mr. Vincent Massey, High Commissioner in London, is representing the Canadian Government, and Sir Frederick Leggett, Deputy Secretary of the Ministry of Labor and National Service, is the British Government representative. Mr. Robert J. Watt, international representative of the American Federation of Labor, is among the workers' representatives attending. The employees' group includes Mr. Philip Dunham Reed, who is attending as a substitute for Mr. Henry I. Harriman of Boston.

Something of the wartime nature of this meeting was evident in surroundings in which it met. It was in the new annex of the Ministry of Labor Building, which was once Wyndhams Club.

The platform was set between two ornamental mantelpieces in the cream-colored conference room, made by putting two clubrooms into one.

Most of the delegates sat at tables for four persons, tables which obviously were used earlier for card playing, but which yesterday were covered with Navy baize and papers instead of green felt and playing cards.

Some Delegates Delayed

Representatives of the various Governments were there except Brazil and France who were absent through transport delays, as was the delegate of Swedish workers. On Mr. Bevin's left as he spoke were employers delegates, and on his right those of the workers. The Minister of Labor looked with a smile at Chairman Goodrich when he said the needs of the present age cannot be met with nineteenth century economics, "even if they come from Wall Street."

Mr. Edward Phelan, Acting Director of I. L. O., is presenting a report of the organization's activity since the New York meeting in October, 1941.

From what already has been said it is clear that its period in Montreal wasn't idle since the I. L. O. did excellent work as channel for information about international manpower problems.

Vital Postwar Issues

But the greatest concern both among delegates and among I. L. O. supporters here isn't what the I. L. O. has done in the past three years but what it is going to do.

This is largely the extent to which the British and American Governments are going to allow it to confer and outline proposals concerning present and postwar steps toward essential reforms like the prevention of unemployment and the establishment of an adequate living wage as specified in the I. L. O. constitution of 1919.

Now that I. L. O. reappears as a functioning body some hard thinking is essential concerning forms of international organizations for postwar world welfare.

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Wake Island Raiders Have Lively Experience

These six Navy fliers can't say they haven't a first-hand acquaintance with the Pacific. They certainly have, especially during and following the raids on Wake Island on Oct. 5 and 6. That's when their plane was shot down and they took to the rafts. That put them on the ocean and then along came an American Submarine that picked them up and eventually landed them at a United States port. In the picture they are, left to right: Aviation Ordnance Mate Second Class Paul T. Bonilla, San Luis Obispo, Calif.; Lieut. William B. McCarthy, Boston; Lieut. Harold J. Kicker, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Lieut. Commander Mark A. Grant, Nashville, Tenn.; Lieut. Richard C. Johnson, Fullerton, Calif., and Ensign Murray H. Tyler, Sulphur Springs, Tenn.

Allied Trucks Pack Road in Italy

By Ronald Stead
Staff Corespondent of The Christian Monitor With the United Nations Forces in the Mediterranean Area

NAPLES, Italy, Dec. 17 — A ceaseless stream of trucks and vehicles of all kinds, moving across Italy from Naples to the Eighth Army front, gives spectacular evidence of Allied military power.

As this correspondent returned from a visit at General Montgomery's forces to the main shipping base at Naples he met vehicles driving along almost bumper to bumper, mile after mile.

Although flying conditions were good, the Luftwaffe was doing nothing about it at all.

It was a striking contrast with the dive-bombing and machine-gunning by Allied fighter bombers and fighters, whenever the Germans venture to bring up their supply columns or reinforcements by day.

The ceaseless procession of vehicles gave greater impression of Allied strength than the scene of battle itself, because modern fighting is largely a matter of concealment and generally, an observer in a fighting zone can see only a section of diffused action at a time.

Why Drives Are Slow

This is especially so in the type of fighting that is going on now amid the mists, mountains, and foothills of Italy. There the Germans have well-sited artillery, machine gun and mortar positions. And the Allied advances against them have for the most part to be carried out at night. That is one reason why the advance by both the Eighth and Fifth Armies has been so slow.

But an equally powerful reason is the country itself. It is extremely attractive, with high snow-capped mountains, deep valleys, wooded ridges, and well-watered plains.

But from the viewpoint of advancing Allied troops it is heart-breaking. The plains have been watered so much that the vehicles couldn't move on them. The mountains are so high that transport on their slippery roads and tracks is intensely difficult. Woods and hills give too much concealment and observation power to the enemy.

So the forward combat troops have been able only to inch along toward the muzzles of chattering machine guns, while under fire, too, from artillery and mortars.

'Road Under Shell Fire'

The less the troops show themselves the better, as one feels very strongly after passing a roadside notice saying, "Road under shell fire," or "Warning!" You are under enemy observation."

After that I saw one notice reading, "One way only," which didn't seem a reassuring phrase. I was struck by the nonchalance of peasants in the forward zone across which the swollen Sangro River—as seen from the air—winds like a broad dirty yellow ribbon.

The prospect of enemy shells arriving seemed to worry them no more than the roar of our own guns which we could see clashing against the purple hill background behind us.

Peasants Nonchalant

A woman was walking along stolidly with a great pile of sticks on her head. An elderly man rode behind her on a donkey. Two barefooted girls and a little boy followed, laughing and talking.

Truckloads of tired looking German prisoners and lines of ambulances were speeding past them on their way to the rear.

And all the time the seemingly endless stream of supplies and reinforcements was flowing the other way.

They were building behind the forward troops on the battlefield the strength for a powerful follow-through when the time comes.

Ford Rouge Plant Fire Slows Engine Output

DETROIT, Dec. 17 (AP)—Flames that leaped explosively from a box car filled with magnesium chips severely damaged one end of the aircraft building in the Ford Motor Company's Rouge plant yesterday morning and halted production of aircraft engines for more than 12 hours.

Seven thousand employees on a day shift were forced into idleness, but an afternoon shift reported for work as usual. Two small departments employing women—on engine testing and engine assembling—remained closed until the midnight shift.

What Japanese Are Told

By a Special Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

CHUNGKING, Dec. 17—The recent rescript from the Japanese Emperor regarding the war situation and the statement made yesterday by a Japanese peasant, now a war prisoner in Chungking, give a clear indication of how completely Tokyo militarists have deceived the people from top to bottom regarding the true state of the global conflict.

Sergeant Mitsui Katsuo of the 232nd Japanese Infantry of the 39th Division, who voluntarily surrendered himself to the Chinese on July 29 during the Western Hupeh campaign, told correspondents that he had never been told of the battles of Midway and Guadalcanal, and that he knew nothing of the great Russian victories before falling into Chinese hands.

He had heard, however, of the collapse of Italy, which was commonly expected among the rank and file of Japanese soldiers.

One Side of Aleutians

His Japanese official informants had also told him of the Aleutians campaign, that is, the part of the story in which the Japanese were successful. The rest of the story of the Japanese expulsion from the islands had come to him through an uncensored letter which his brother sent from Japan.

Relating the story of the voluntary surrender, Sergeant Katsuo said he simply put on Chinese plain clothes, with which Japanese troops on the Chinese front were provided, and then walked over and gave himself up to Chinese officials, who passed him on to the guerrillas for safe conduct to the rear. Sergeant Katsuo, who is now 25, had been in the Japanese Army five years, and had served in the Sixth War Zone near Ichang.

Preferred Captivity

He was supposed to have gone on a furlough Dec. 1, hoping to get married in his home village.

In spite of this happy prospect, Sergeant Katsuo said he preferred captivity to serving out even another four months under his abusive company commander. Sergeant Katsuo is a graduate of the Japanese Agricultural School.

So instead of having a wedding furlough back in Japan, Sergeant Katsuo is now by choice a war prisoner in Chungking. In his warm cotton-padded black uniform and with three meals a day with rice, meat, and vegetables, he may not be faring as well as the Japanese Emperor, but in one respect, at least, the Emperor might envy him. Sergeant Katsuo now knows what is actually taking place on the world battle fronts.

Navy Uniforms to Lose That 'Blouse Effect'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The Navy is going to cut from four to six inches from the uniform jumper or "middie blouse" of enlisted men and save an estimated $2,000,000.

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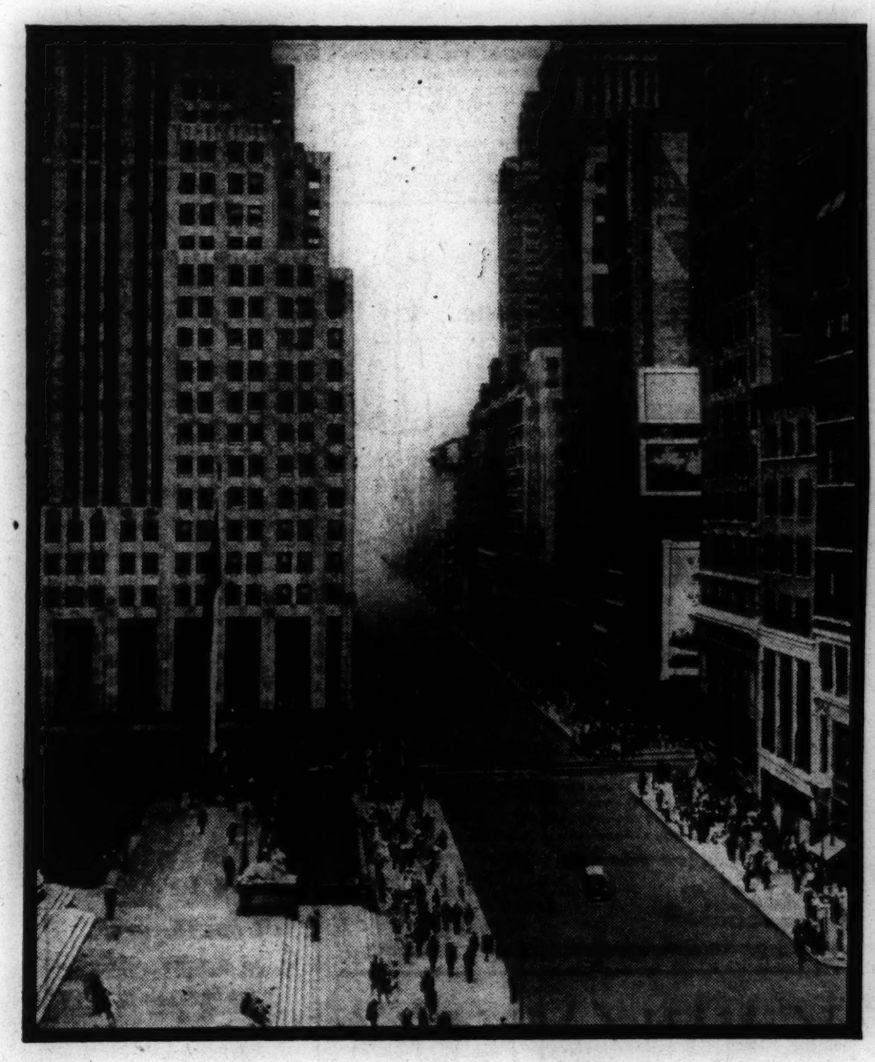

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New Zealand Movie Choice Changed by Doughboy Voice

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

WELLINGTON, New Zealand—Americanization of the Southern Pacific is going on in isles formerly unknown even to the National Geographic Society. American doughboys are changing the taste in movies "Down Under."

Formerly the likings of New Zealanders ran along fairly well-defined lines. They were strong for movies with English stars or English themes. Many American films they just didn't understand—to them Lou Gehrig and Knute Rockne meant little. Hollywood, it is true, tried to translate some films into the British idiom. One remembers one movie shown in Australia displaying Ramon Novarro playing a dashing game of soccer on a field which somehow bore the marks of the gridiron.

Best-Sellers Popular

What the movie managers call sophisticated comedy has always gone well here; hence Norma Shearer and Claudette Colbert were top stars and today Rosalind Russell is one. And since the women usually have done the choosing of what films shall be seen, women who fitted the prevailing mode best always have had an edge in appeal.

Then, since the American world is known through its books and magazines, the best-sellers which have found their way to the Hollywood mill have also been rated tops by the box office. So has almost any film which promises laughs. A shrewd Universal publicity man once sold a very average product of that studio all down the line by stressing the comic in the cast.

In a world at war, New Zealanders have gone to the movies looking for fun. It is true they always have been inclined to step out of line and make smash hits of such movies as "Dead End" and "Suspicion," which were not exactly frolicsome. But generally speaking, the approach has been one of easy laughs—or it was till the American invasion began.

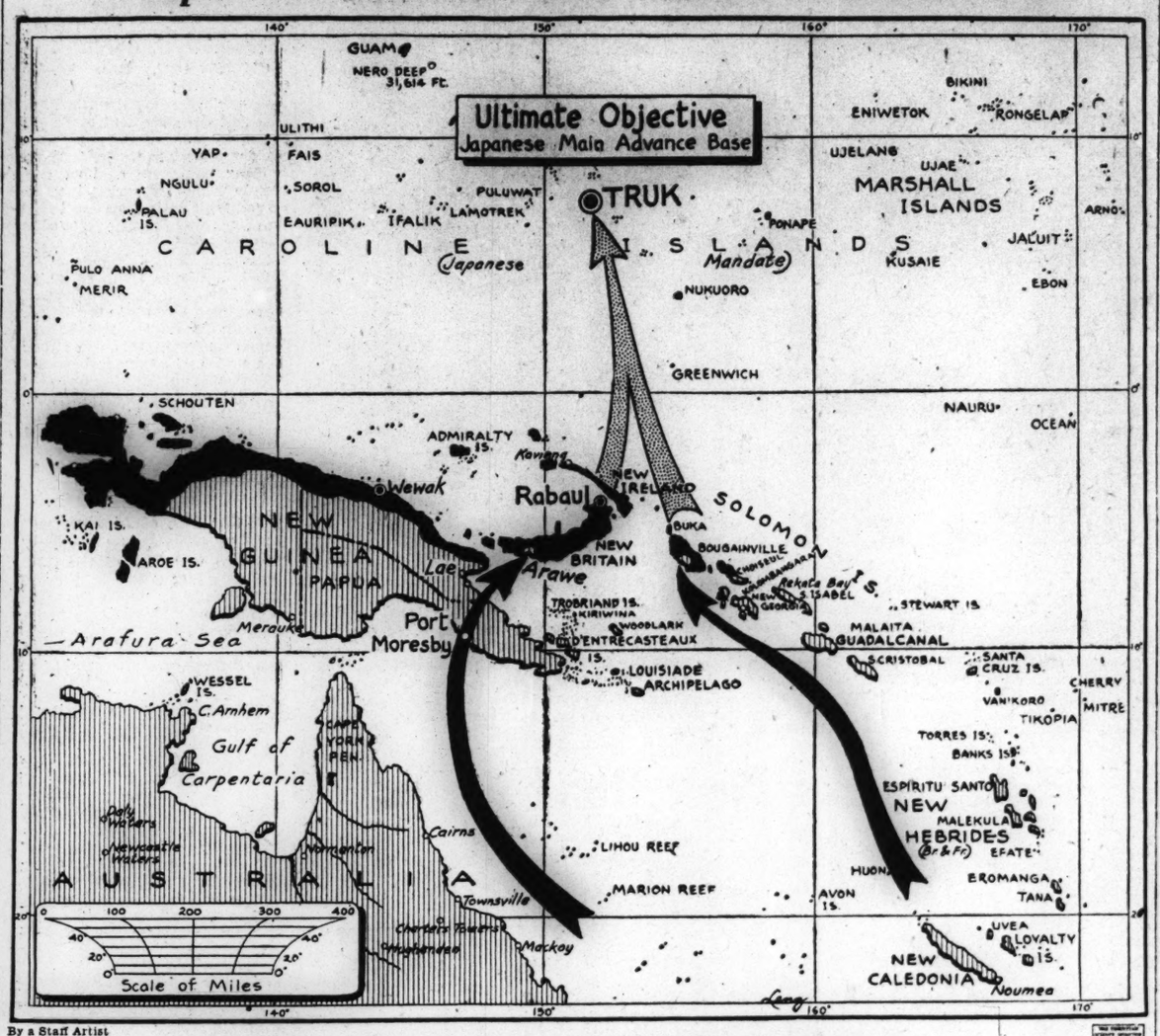
Then suddenly "The Shores of Tripoli" did staggering business. It was at one city theater for nine weeks and had to be shifted out because release dates were getting all gummed up. It did similar business in places where no one had seen a marine or even knew what a marine was. Overnight, movie taste changed.

Yanks Do Choosing

The way the movie world explains it is that the major change was due to the fact that the Americans now do the choosing, and that the girl friends ride along. Because Antipodean releases dates are timed later than those in the States because the movie year down here is several months behind, a good number of the films were familiar to the United States fighting men anyway. Making a choice, they often elected to go to see a movie they already had viewed.

Hence top stars today are some who could not fill a theater for a week a few years ago. Bing Crosby, outside the Antipodean taste which excludes all crooners, Fred MacMurray, Betty Grable, have today joined the band of stars which packs them in—the Gables, Robert Youngs, Hedy Lamarrs, and Rosalind Russells, whose appeal is international.

Prospective Course of Allied Advance Toward Truk



By a Staff Artist

Main Lines of Drive Toward Japanese Outlying Base of Rabaul Shown

Black arrows indicate two main lines of advance of the Allies, one via New Guinea, the other via the Solomons toward the Japanese outlying base of Rabaul. The American Sixth Army has now landed on New Britain, the island on which Rabaul is situated. Shaded arrow shows the prospective course of Allied advance to Japan's main base of Truk. Blackened sections still occupied by Japan.

Waves of Rubber Boats Led Invasion

By the Associated Press

WITH THE AMERICAN SIXTH ARMY AT ARAWE, New Britain, Dec. 17—We were 35 yards from shore when the Japanese opened up.

There was a jabbering in Japanese and then red tracer bullets popped at us from each side—thousands of firecrackers coming our way in streams.

The Japanese apparently were ready and waiting for our rubber boats to slide over a reef before we crossed the last narrow strip of water to the New Britain shore. They caught us on the reef and killed about one quarter of our small force. It was 5:30 a. m., one hour before the main landing was to take place on Orange Beach at the foot of the Arawe Peninsula.

Capt. Edward Wright led his Texans who were to establish the first beachhead at the top of the peninsula and cut off the Japanese line of retreat from the main assault.

Captain Wright was in the first rubber boat. We went toward the shore in echelon formation of three boats to a wave.

I was in the first boat of the first wave.

We left our ship at 5:08 a. m. A bright moon was shining when the sailors threw our boats into the water. We let our machine-guns and my typewriter down off the deck with long ropes. Then we scrambled over the side.

In Perfect Formation

The sea was black in the moonlight. Our boats were bouncing silhouettes.

We knew if any Japanese were around Umbiligato Village, where the landing was to take place, we would be ducks on the water. The bad weather we had hoped for had failed us.

You could hear little black paddles splashing in the water, lightly at first, then seemingly louder as we came closer to the jungle cove behind the white beach we were heading for. We were in perfect formation, when we reached the coral reef. They had told us about the reef, but high tide, everyone knew, would take us over.

When the Japanese started firing, I jumped over the left side and went down to my neck. My jungle pack of rations and typing paper pulled me over backward, and I slipped it off.

Five Japanese 37-mm. guns opened up from the bank. The shells were white and they slammed into one boat, blowing it 15 feet into the air. I ducked under our boat and held my breath.

When I couldn't hold my breath any longer, I came up and gasped for air, realizing my glasses and helmet were gone.

"You Can Make It"

The boy next to me was in back.

"I can't make it," he said in a tired whisper.

I grabbed his arm and pulled him close to me.

"You can make it," I kept saying. "Sure you can make it."

But I expected any minute for them to open up and kill us.

We tried to get our feet on the bottom and walk to shore but it was too deep. I saw Captain Wright's boat swing on an arc to make the beach. A machine gun on a hillside opened up and killed a Lieutenant in Captain Wright's boat.

They caught us in machine-gun criss-cross fire next and we all went under the boat again. When we came up, a big gun still was popping and a white pattern of bullets came closer.

Just then a bullet hit my typewriter and it flew by my head in two pieces.

The machine-gun fire ripped into our boat and we dived under again.

When I came up, some one was pulling our half limp boat out so I got behind and shoved. Our feet hit coral. We tried to get the boat across a reef.

Two Boat-Loads Combined

Our boat sank just after we got it across the reef. As it went down, we spotted another rubber boat off to the left.

We called to Corporal Roy C. Jackson, who swung his boat our way.

When we combined our two loads, there were 17 altogether. We put the wounded men in the boat and the rest of us swam alongside, pushing and pulling as best we could. When they'd fire on us, we'd go underneath and hold out as long as we could.

After a while, you could almost get the rhythm of their fire and know when to come up.

And then you see a thin line of hope and everyone gets in there again and tries.

A destroyer came in close and lobbed several shells over our heads right into Japanese gun positions behind us. They socked into the hillside and we all cheered like mad.

The sun was coming up and we waited for daylight, expecting the Japanese to pot shot us.

Mammoth Fourth of July

Then the naval bombardment started.

It was like the biggest Fourth of July you ever saw. The ships began firing behind Pilelo Island and water and earth trembled as their shells crashed all along the peninsula.

American planes came next. Low-flying Marauder medium bombers flew over the peninsula. We could see their tracers pumping into the trees. A Liberator heavy bomber flew low overhead and we raised out of the water and waved at it. We could hear the motors of the amphibious tanks and Higgins landing boats now charging toward the beach below us.

Finally, after three hours in the water, a small ship came out our way. At first we didn't speak about it; it was too good to be true. Then it came in closer

They threw us a line and we pulled our boat alongside. Corporal Jackson had us climb off one at a time. I stood on the deck with nothing on except a money belt.

The roar of planes filled the air and we all hit the deck. After awhile, our antiaircraft fire in the harbor chased the Japanese planes away.

Somebody said there were over 20 of them.

Some of us transferred to landing craft that was going to Orange Beach. At noon, I set foot on New Britain soil, the last correspondent to arrive and I had planned on being the first.

Allies Dig In Firm Hold On New Britain

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virtually neutralized Rabaul as an effective base.

Lately, Rabaul Harbor has been used largely for cargo shipping, and although a large number of aircraft are known to be stationed on the network of airfields on Gazelle Peninsula, only sporadic and insignificant Japanese air attacks have been organized in the past few weeks.

Nevertheless, the enemy still maintains powerful ground concentrations scattered at coastal bases on the Island. The little-explored dense jungle and volcanic mountain ranges virtually prohibit any large-scale overland communications. Bases such as Gasmata, Arawe, Cape Gloucester, and other smaller enemy installations must be supplied by barge traffic working close to the coast.

Thus each of these bases—as is the case with Bougainville and New Guinea—can be considered as so many islands, which must be either taken from the sea or blockaded and neutralized.

Arawe itself comprises a large plantation which stretches about three miles on either side of Cape Merkus on relatively high ground. The civil airfield, built prior to the Japanese invasion, has not been used or developed during nearly two years of enemy occupation of New Britain.

Though it still is too early to forecast the course of the battle for New Britain, it is likely to be a long time before Rabaul itself can be brought under direct land siege or even so isolated it can be allowed to "wither on the vine."

Report Indicates Storm One Factor In Double Wreck

LUMBERTON, N. C., Dec. 17 (AP)—C. G. Sibley, Vice-President of the Atlantic Coast Line, said today the railroad's information showed that the fireman of the derailed southbound passenger train which figured in the double wreck yesterday attempted to flag the northbound train which plowed into the derailed express.

"Our information is that the fireman on Train 91 went ahead of his train to flag the northbound train, but did not succeed in stopping the train with his red lantern," he said.

"He had a fusee but he stumbled and fell and it broke and he used his lantern. The engineer on No. 8 evidently did not see the fireman's signal. We understand that the sleet and snowstorm was still in progress at that time. The flagman on 91 went back to protect trains following on the southward track. A formal investigation will be held to develop the facts with respect to the action of the crews of both trains."

In Washington the Federal Bureau of Investigation said today its investigation of the wreck failed to uncover any evidence of sabotage or foul play. The F.B.I. said an examination of a broken rail revealed no signs of tampering.

Among passengers on the northbound train were William C. Bullitt, former United States Ambassador to Russia and France, and his daughter, Anne, but both escaped inqury.

Among the 79 persons killed were 47 servicemen. Upwards of 50 others were injured.

Canadians Put Smuts' Plan To Test of Own Interests

LONDON, Dec. 17 (AP)—A hint that Belgium might become a member of the British Commonwealth under certain conditions has been dropped by a spokesman for the Belgian Ministry of Information, the Daily Sketch said today.

The Sketch said one of its correspondents had asked the spokesman about a speech made in Belfast by Antoine Delfosse, Belgian Justice and Information Minister, which favored Britain as an ensurer of peace in Europe, and the spokesman replied:

"M. Delfosse might have been referring to the possibility of Belgium entering the Commonwealth."

M. Delfosse had said "We Belgians are ready to sacrifice part of our sovereignty on the altar of world peace. We ask but one thing—to be free."

By Bruce Hutchison

Special Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

OTTAWA, Dec. 17—Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts' plan to revitalize the British Commonwealth of Nations and make it into a highly centralized unit as one of the world's Big Three powers is deeply disturbing to many people in Canada.

It would mean a complete reversal of Canada's progress toward an autonomous role in foreign affairs.

While the Canadian Government has made no comment on an unofficial statement from the South African Prime Minister, his speech is the subject of general debate in Ottawa and has already entered into the practical politics of this nation.

One of the first published reactions to the Smuts plan came from the Winnipeg Free Press, which stands close to the Liberal Government. The Free Press said bluntly that the Smuts plan, if it was what it seemed, was calculated to blow the British Commonwealth to "smithereens," and apparently was based on a division of the world into huge power blocs which might end in another disaster to world peace.

At once the Toronto Globe and Mail, most vigorous supporter of the Progressive Conservative Party, attacked the Free Press for its "destructive" attitude without, however, indorsing Marshal Smuts.

Clarification Awaited

Most of the press has remained silent, pending clarification of the whole subject. But if the Smuts plan is pressed ahead in Britain it will become the subject of a national debate and might become the issue of the national election of 1944.

To understand Canada's position in this matter, and why it is one of the keys to the future policy of all the British peoples, it is necessary to recall something of Canada's history.

This nation has been fighting off attempts to centralize and rigidify the British Commonwealth since the latter years of the nineteenth century.

Early in the twentieth, the centralization program was openly advanced in Britain under the leadership of Joseph Chamberlain. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, newly-chosen French-Canadian and Liberal Prime Minister of Canada, at once rejected the project.

Later his opponent, Sir Robert Borden, a Conservative Prime Minister, was even more vigorously Canadian in his policy and through his work at the Paris Peace Conference Canada was recognized as an autonomous nation. The groundwork had been laid for the Statute of Westminister which formally declared all the overseas Dominions of the Commonwealth to be equal and sovereign nations.

Centralization Rejected

When Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King took office in 1922, he was confronted at once with yet another attempt at centralization. His first important act was to reject it. The old plan had laid in abeyance until the Smuts speech and most Canadians considered it extinguished for good.

When it rises again now, in a new form, the immediate unofficial reaction of the Canadian Government is the same as always. This opposition is based not only on sentiments of Canadian nationalism but on the practical facts of Canadian life.

The chief fact is that this country, by its geographical and economic position, cannot ever undertake foreign commitments which might at any time come into conflict with the foreign policy of the United States. It has always insisted, therefore, on complete liberty of action in foreign affairs.

For these reasons Canada has always insisted that the strength of the Commonwealth did not lie and could not lie in any formal and binding agreements but only in ties of history, sentiment, and joint interest. To attempt to reduce these intangibles to any greater form of organization than now exists, Canada has held, would damage and perhaps wreck the unity of the Commonwealth.

Ties With the United States

This is the majority opinion of Canadians up to now, as attested by the policies of political parties. Today it is doubtful if any political party in Canada would support a centralist policy, though segments of the Progressive-Conservative Party, under the leadership of Premier George A. Drew of Ontario, might do so.

However, the Smuts plan may contain new elements that did not appear in former plans of this sort. If it were to be supported by the United States—if, in fact, the unification of the Commonwealth were to form part of a firm alliance between the Commonwealth and the United States—it would certainly gather large support in Canada. In that case the danger of conflict between Canadian and American foreign policy would be avoided.

Nevertheless, the view of the Canadian Government is certainly that the world's peace can best be preserved by a world order in which the smaller nations all have a full part to play, not in a system of power blocs. In this question Canada has a vital interest because it is Russia's neighbor on the north and in any possible future conflict between Russia and the United States Canada would be placed in a grave position.

Whether all these calculations will enter the next Canadian election will depend essentially on whether the British Government or any other Commonwealth Government is prepared to press the Smuts plan at the forthcoming conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers in London. If the program is pressed nothing can keep it out of active Canadian politics with consequences of far-reaching importance to a Commonwealth of which Canada is the second nation and an essential part.

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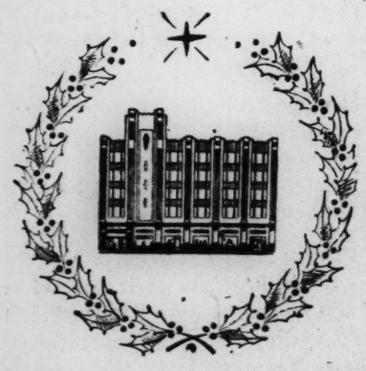

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Tax Bills of House and Senate Await Final Reconciliation

By Richard L. Strout
Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—America's 1943 tax bill, having run the gantlet of four different battle stages in as many different agencies, goes at last—a torn and tattered thing—to the United States Senate.

After the Senate gets through with it, it has only one more hurdle to take, a conference between House and Senate, after which it will become the law of the land.

Results so far: The Treasury's initial $10,500,000,000 anti-inflation measure has been slashed to one-fifth, while the triangular rivalry between Treasury, House and Senate tax experts has produced what is, at this juncture, believed to be the most complicated arithmetical problems the Bureau of Internal Revenue has ever presented to individual taxpayers.

Lack of uniformity of writing is evident both in the policy underlying the new tax law, and in the proposed mechanisms for carrying it out.

As a matter of fact, the House has reported one tax bill, and the Senate Finance Committee, which concluded its work yesterday, has reported another. At some time or other these different bills must be reconciled.

As to the original schedules presented by Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., to the House Ways and Means Committee last fall, after staying up a large part of the night in final preparation—they were scrapped long, long ago. Mr. Morgenthau's key proposal was designed to siphon off inflationary spending power and, while stiff, would not have produced a ratio of taxes higher, it is believed, than Canada and Britain pay.

But it was more than the House, in an election year, could countenance. Mr. Morgenthau and his chief tax specialist, Randolph Paul, was perfectly aware of its impending fate as he presented his recommendations to a committee, munching raisins out of a cardboard box, as he answered hostile questions.

The House committee scrapped the integrated Treasury measure and wrote its own bill under the leadership of its tax consultant, Colin Stam. The Stam-Paul rivalry is one of the features of the current tax controversy.

Stage three was House passage of the Committee bill. It made few changes this year.

Fourth stage was before the Senate Finance Committee, now just completed. The Committee made it a triangular fight by dropping some of the House Committee's provisions; substituting its own, restoring a few Treasury proposals.

Senate Now Takes Over

Now the Senate takes the bill over. Nobody can guess what the Senate will do.

Last step comes when the whole thing goes back to a joint House and Senate conference, which will try to work out a compromise. This will be stage six and last. It is the normal procedure for writing tax bills, but rarely has so little attention been paid to original Treasury recommendations as this year.

As revised by the Senate Committee, the tax bill would yield $144,000,000 more than the House measure, or a total of about $2,284,000,000.

Biggest change is to add $500,000,000 in individual income taxes over the House schedules, while many other items are reduced.

The Senate Committee also voted to postpone for 60 days the otherwise automatic 1 per cent increase in Social Security taxes.

One major change in the House tax bill made by the Senate Committee was insertion of a series of changes in the re-negotiation war contract law believed by opponents to come close to emasculating the measure.

The Administration plans to make a fight against this, probably led by the Undersecretaries of War and Navy. To date $5,300,000,000 have been saved by contract renegotiation, half through contracts themselves, the other half in cuts in prices on future deliveries.

The House bill had repealed the 5 per cent present Victory Tax: the Senate bill restored a 3 per cent Victory tax.

The Treasury sought to raise $1,138,000,000 of additional taxes from corporations. The Senate Committee's bill would raise only about $467,000,000.

Varied Routes Followed

Originally all groups were agreed that the tax bill should be simplified by repealing the Victory Tax, which requires double computations from taxpayers.

The Treasury proposed to do this by repealing the Victory Tax, and increasing individual excise, or sales taxes, on special commodities, to make up most of the difference. This would have freed 9,000,000 low-income-bracket taxpayers from Federal income taxes.

The House Committee followed another route. Professedly "horrified" by the proposal to let 9,000,000 out of income tax payment, it voted to drop the Victory Tax, wiped out most of the Treasury's excise or sales tax, and substituted a complicated alternative mechanism of its own for raising part of the lost revenue and keeping the 9,000,000 low-income group on the income tax rolls.

The triangular controversy developed when the Senate Committee heeded the Treasury protests that the House mechanism was unworkable. The Senate rejected the House alternative to the Victory Tax, and then, having run out of other ideas, regretfully restored the Victory Tax, despite the fact that it is a tax nobody loves.

Watching the tax merry-go-round so far, it is anybody's guess what the Senate will do, but tax increases in the neighborhood of $2,000,000,000 is the general expectation.

First Seems All Right, Saved by the Commas

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Itemizing the portraits in the City Hall, Jim Leary debated listing "42 Mayors, framed" ar "42 framed Mayors."

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"42 photographs of former Mayors."

Ancient Pine Cone Shedding Its Seed

By the Associated Press

Burlingame, Calif., Dec. 17

The cone of a Monterey pine, after lying dormant for from 100,000 to 500,000 years in an earth stratum of the Millbraey fossil pit, is opening and shedding its seeds under the warmth and moisture of an exhibition case at San Mateo Junior College.

Dr. Frank M. Stanger, museum curator, said the pine cone was found in the same ancient stratum from which the bones of several mammoths were recovered.

Normally, pine cones fall from trees in the autumn, and open and drop their seeds in the spring.

Two Reports On Trip Plan Of Roosevelt

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clined to credit the report that the plans may have been changed as a result of the latest meetings and that General Marshall would remain in Washington and General Eisenhower placed in charge of the entire European theater at an appropriate time.

Final clarification of General Marshall's position will await announcement from the President.

After an early morning discussion with the congressional leaders, Mr. Roosevelt's immediate appearance before the House and Senate was found to be impracticable. While Congress does not formally recess until next Tuesday, it is evident that there will be a considerable exodus from the Hill this week end and there would not be sufficient time for the President to prepare his address. It is for this reason that he will use both his Christmas Eve speech and his annual message as the occasions to report on his conferences.

Politically, Mr. Roosevelt must have found more agreement in his meetings with Mr. Churchill, President Chiang and Mr. Stalin than awaited him today on the home front.

He must plunge immediately into efforts to avert a wartime strike on the nation's railroads.

He finds that while the Senate is authorizing a 60-day reprieve on the Administration's subsidy program, this defers but does not decide the issue.

He faces congressional enactment of a new tax bill only one fifth as high as the Treasury believes essential to help cope with the dangers of inflation.

Stephen Early, White House Press Secretary, told correspondents that the President was looking and feeling well. He said that Mr. Roosevelt was surprised at the unexpected reception which marked his arrival at the White House and that he had remarked that he would have come home properly dressed for it—instead of wearing an old sweater and a dark shirt—if he had known.

Senate Approves CCC 60-Day Span

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Given assurances by Majority Leader Alben W. Barkley (D) of Kentucky, that the Administration would not institute any new food subsidies in the interim, the Senate today speedily approved a resolution extending the life of the Commodity Credit Corporation for 60 days beyond Jan. 1.

The action, deferring final disposition of the food subsidy issue until early next year, was unopposed by either side in the prolonged controversy. The resolution was adopted by voice vote and sent to the House where prompt concurrence was expected.

Mr. Barkley told the Senate prior to the vote that officials of the CCC and other Government agencies would not undertake to broaden the existing $1,000,000,000 subsidy program during the 60-day extension ending Feb. 29.

In the absence of an extension of life, the CCC's legal authority to pay subsidies and carry on various other farm aid programs would expire Dec. 31.

Former Soldier Hides in Dugout

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 17 (AP)—The strange story of a former soldier, who disappeared after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor two years ago and remained much of the time since in a dugout beneath his home, was disclosed yesterday with his arrest.

Police Lieut. P. J. Gregg said Robert Cecil van Valkenburg, 31, admitted he went into hiding Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941, when he heard radio flashes of the Japanese bombing of Hawaii. He was jailed on suspicion of deserting from his unit at Fort Lewis.

City and military police surrounded the home where his 31-year-old wife and two small children live, on a tip that a soldier was hiding there. The officers found a trapdoor beneath a rug leading to a one-room excavated cellar.

The room was equipped with a stove and comfortably furnished, Lieutenant Gregg said. Further search disclosed another trapdoor leading down to a bedchamber, furnished with a full-size bed, books, and a chair. Mr. van Valkenburg was found there, Lieutenant Greg greported.

He was "dismayerd" at the outbreak of war, Lieutenant Gregg quoted him as saying, and began digging his hideout. At short intervals, however, he made trips to Idaho and trapped animals.

The family has been maintaining by county welfare."

Soft Coal Contract Signed, Subject to Two Provisos

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Northern and western soft coal producers, joined by Alabama operators, today formally signed a new wage contract with the United Mine Workers, to become effective if and when:

1. The National War Labor Board approves it.
2. The operators get the price increases they want.

Edward R. Burke, President of the Southern Coal Producers Association, refused to sign but made a statement that if the NWLB approves the contract and if additional price increases are granted—

"It may be that our members would then feel that they would have no further freedom in the matter and would be constrained to go along with the rest of the industry which has already surrendered to superior force."

The Alabama producers, who are not members of Mr. Burke's organization, switched their position today in agreeing to sign.

Secretary Harold L. Ickes, now operating the mines for the Government, addressed the operators and union officials called together to act on the contract worked out last week by a subcommittee, and announced that 12,975,000 tons of soft coal were dug last week.

This, he said, was a near record, representing an estimated 38 tons per miner. The U.M.W. said this figure meant that miners have increased their daily production by between 1.15 and 1.20 tons a day under the Federal wage agreement made Nov. 3 between Mr. Ickes and John L. Lewis.

Mr. Ickes told the group he was just back from New England, where it was extremely cold and some towns were entirely without fuel. He urged the operators to get out their fountain pens, which they did.

The coal industry has been limping along without a contract since last April 1, interrupted by four general strikes and operating part of the time under government ownership.

The contract approved today would continue the Ickes-Lewis agreement after the Government restores the mines, and now has been formally approved by about two thirds of the soft coal industry. It provides for a nine-hour day including eight hours of productive work; 45 minutes of travel time paid for at two thirds of the regular rate; and a 15-minute lunch period, not paid for. Generally, this will increase earnings over the old private contract by about $1.50 a day, maintaining the current earning rate.

Southern California Plans For Great Postwar Inflow

Monitor Traveltalk

By M. Le Tour
Written for The Christian Science Monitor

No part of the country more than Southern California, it is safe to say, looks with keener interest on the program recently launched by the National Association of Travel Officials to bring about a quick postwar restoration of the United States' yearly six billion dollar tourist business.

Southern California is made up in very large part of Johnsons and MacArthurs and Jacobs and Joneses who came here in the first place as tourists and so take a very personal interest in whatever promises to put the land of flowers, sunshine, and "unusual" weather back on the travel map as soon as the war ends.

Don Thomas, Managing Director of the All-Year Club of Southern California and President of the National Association of Travel Officials, says that the postwar program recently agreed upon in Chicago has met with instant hearty response from railroaders and others equally alive to the potentialities. He intimates that the members of the Association generally would not withhold credit from Southern California travel men for most enthusiastically supporting the renewal of travel idea.

Committees selected from the Association's directorship, Mr. Thomas says, are going to conduct extensive research to determine how the war will have changed the nation's travel habits. Then they will want to find what problems these changes will have created for the American travel promotion agencies and how they can be solved.

That is the first part of the Association's program. The second embraces a union of all travel and allied interests behind a common travel promotion theme designed to set aside the first calendar year after complete peace is restored as a "Victory Vacation Year."

Here are some things the National Association of Travel Officials wants to know, Mr. Thomas points out:

1. How long will it take the automobile industry to replace the cars being worn out now?
2. How long will it take the nation's railroads to replace badly deteriorated equipment?
3. How long will it take the airlines to set up their postwar systems and schedules and find the passenger planes to fly them?
4. How soon will there be enough rubber for extended auto trips?

Greater Farm Output Urged As House Group Pledges Aid

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Materials Boards to recommend which supplies can be spared to UNRRA and to nations with money to buy direct from the United States.

Minor rumblings against UNRRA were heard by the Committee from Representative Frederick C. Smith (R) of Ohio, who described it as "the first step in the erection of a superstate," and from Representative Charles S. Dewey (R) of Illinois, former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and former financial adviser to Poland, who said that rehabilitation should be accomplished through establishment of a central reconstruction fund to stabilize international currencies and offer long-term credits.

Plans Under Way

Under administration plans, international currency stabilization plans are being worked out independently of UNRRA.

Describing 1944 as the "crucial year of the war," the House farm labor report declared: "Maximum food production is not only necessary as the mainspring of Allied military operations in the field and maintenance of their civilian productive economy, but also for participation in the temporary relief of the people in Axis-dominated countries when they are liberated and pending restoration of their own agricultural production."

Mr. Jones was quoted as saying that more food will be needed by the armed forces abroad as they advance, and the needs of Soviet Russia "will be greater until they can get reoccupied territory back into production."

"There will be a need for more food than we can produce," he concluded.

Production Goals

Production goals for 1944 will be 36 per cent above the United States' average output in 1935-39 and 4 per cent over the 1943 peak. The 1944 goal contemplates 380,000,000 acres under cultivation, compared with 364,000,00 this year.

Recognizing that fulfillment of these goals depends largely on solution of the farm-labor problem and having in thought the increasing demands for more workers in war industries, the committee proposes to enlarge the Government program for moving farm workers from place to place with the crop seasons.

It was estimated by the committee that 100,054 interstate workers were transported at Government expense this year, including 70,254 foreign workers.

Next year's program calls for a total of 126,700 itinerant workers, including 10,000 year-round domestic workers, 50,000 domestic seasonal workers, and 66,900 foreign workers.

The committee recommended that the Farm Security Administration be relieved of its part of the program and the whole thing be centralized in the State and National Extension Service of the Department of Agriculture.

Chrysler Refuses Pay Raise Request

DETROIT, Dec. 17 (AP)—The Chrysler Corporation last night rejected demands of the United Automobile Workers (Congress of Industrial Organizations) for cost-of-living wage adjustments in excess of those permitted under the National War Labor Board's "Little Steel" formula, but agreed to discuss and negotiate the demands in a conference Dec. 21.

"These proceedings appeared to us to be aimed against the Government's stabilizing policy," a letter from Labor Relations Director R. W. Conder to Leo Lamotte, co-director of the Chrysler Division of the U. A. W., said of the wage increase demands.

Mr. Conder contended that Chrysler employees' earnings already have risen 53 per cent above Dec. 15, 1940, levels and that living costs have gone up only 25 per cent.

U. S. Army Nurses Get New Uniform

HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY SERVICE OF SUPPLY (AP)—The need of United States Army nurses in Britain is a new field uniform with plenty of pockets—big ones—in which the nurse can carry a spare shirt, change of underwear, toothbrush, and powder puff, in addition to helmet, gas mask and other vital military equipment.

Such a uniform is being developed for the nurses who will go with the first hospital units after the Allies establish beachheads.

Nurses arriving from the United States are wearing the new street uniform of olive drab, very similar to that of the Wacs.

The new field outfit is a slack number modeled after the British battle-dress, with a jacket that gives much freedom of arm movement.

White uniforms for duty are to be replaced by brown and white striped seersucker frocks that launder easily and don't have to be ironed.

Bill Seeks Easing Of Newsprint Jam

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Legislation designed to help alleviate the newsprint shortage has been introduced by Representative Lyle H. Boren (D) of Oklahoma, Chairman of the House Newsprint Investigating Committee.

Prepared in accordance with recommendations of the American Newspaper Publishers Association, the bill would provide for exemptionn from tariff, duty of imported paper of lighter weight and smaller width than that now exempted, Mr. Boren explained.

"It is one of the steps the Committee is taking for the purpose of stretching the pulp supply," he said.

The bill was referred to the House Ways and Means Committee. Hearings are scheduled next month.

OPA Check Shows No Meat Spoilage

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Meat ration point costs will be lowered if spoilage of meat on hand ever warrants it, but a recent check by the Office of Price Administration shows no spoilage resulting from temporarily increased supplies, Chester Bowles, OPA Administrator, asserted yesterday.

He also told his press conference that the OPA has no plans to cut the value of gasoline coupons in connection with the impending curtailment of total allocations of gasoline, as announced yesterday for all districts except the Southwest.

Mr. Bowles asserted that the allocations cut could be offset by the continued rechecking of supplementary (B and C card) rations to tighten such consumption allowances.

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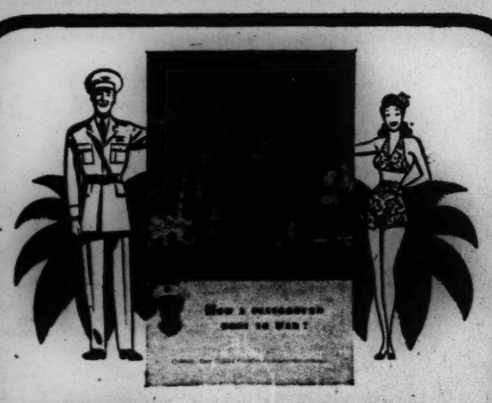

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The Home Forum

Loving Tolerance

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

AMONG the qualities which grace a noble character, what a lovely one is tolerance! How quickly it brings harmony to a troubled situation! How effectively it promotes concord! Who, when misjudged and misunderstood, has not longed for more tolerance, and, when it has been manifested, has not been filled with gratitude therefor?

Christian Science, the Science of Christianity, shows us how to bring this gracious virtue into active expression and how to banish its opposite—intolerance—from our lives and experience. It is a truism that we all want good—and true tolerance is a quality of good—but this is not enough. We must scientifically perceive its true nature, from whence it comes, and how it is truly manifested. Christian Science reveals the origin of all that is true and right, and makes plain how good is scientifically acquired, permanently retained, and fully enjoyed.

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God is infinite good and the creator of all that is good. He has brought into being a good creation; hence, a good creation is all that has actuality or entity. The Bible iterates and reiterates the eternal fact that God is the only creator, and it also declares that "God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good." The Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, sets forth an unfailing rule for enriching our lives with the worthy, the noble, the good. We read (*ibid.*, p. 261), "Hold thought steadfastly to the enduring, the good, and the true, and you will bring these into your experience proportionably to their occupancy of your thoughts." Here is a method that is simple in its application, unvarying in its operation, and infallible in its results. When true thinking and living are persistently practiced, intolerance is banished quickly from our experience because it is not a quality of God, good.

The word "tolerance," in its primary sense, means to bear or lift up. All intolerance comes from the belief that someone or something is wrong or worthy of condemnation. Since God's work is essentially right and inherently good, it is obvious that the wrongness is due to a false or distorted viewpoint. What we need to do is to correct our viewpoint.

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One might have a beautiful home with congenial neighbors and attractive surroundings. If the windowpanes in the house were of blue glass, however, one would get a discolored or untrue view of everything he looked at through them. When he exchanged the blue panes for clear ones, he would then get a clear and proper view. As love clarifies our vision, we behold Love's reality, the perfect man of God, the glory of Spirit's creation, the sublimity of Soul's ideas.

Does this mean that we are never to recognize the error, but must cry "Peace, peace; when there is no peace" (Jeremiah 6:14)? Not at all! True tolerance does not mean submission to evil or resignation to its specious claims. Science and Health admonishes us (p. 393), "Rise in the strength of Spirit to resist all that is unlike good." But true resistance does not consist in condemning persons or becoming intolerant of their seeming frailties. Christian Science shows us clearly that we must overcome, not overlook, error; that we must "nothingize" it, not give it reality and power. When we allow error in any form to make us intolerant, critical, condemnatory, fault-finding and resentful, we have seemingly "somethingized" it, given it reality and the power to disturb us. This attitude of thought never heals or destroys error, but only makes it appear more real.

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A young woman was working in an office where conditions seemed very discordant. After attending her first lecture on Christian Science she meditated a good share of the night on the truths that she had heard. She resolved to do everything in her power to improve the conditions right where she was through lovingkindness and patient tolerance. In a very short time she was offered a much better position with a far better salary. As we learn more of the Science of infinite good, we dwell more upon the loveliness of Love and the grandeur of Soul. This true consciousness clarifies our vision, bears away the error, consigns it to oblivion, and renders it impotent and powerless to agitate us, to take away our calm recognition of harmonious and joyous being.

The whole of good is accessible to man. The very maximum of good awaits everyone who seeks it aright. Love is the golden key that opens the door to the storehouse of infinite good. He who is lovingly tolerant, pure of heart, and full of compassion, finds a ready entrance there. He has that precious gift described in the beautiful words of a hymn in the Christian Science Hymnal (No. 243):

O sweet and tender as the dawn,
With mighty power to heal and bless,
Is God's dear gift to all His own:
The happy grace of gentleness.

[In another column will be found a translation of this article into Swedish]

Prayer That Brings Results

At Casablanca, in the Southwest Pacific, and elsewhere, the world has been witnessing stirring examples of answered prayer.

Food, water, safety, greater effectiveness, and healing of sickness and wounds, have been acutely needed, and have come through prayer. Even skeptics, seeing the results, have been convinced.

What, broadly, is the meaning of these experiences? Is there a kind of prayer that can be counted on—that is definitely available and availing under all conditions? Can there be prayer without groping, without mystery, with certainty as to its results?

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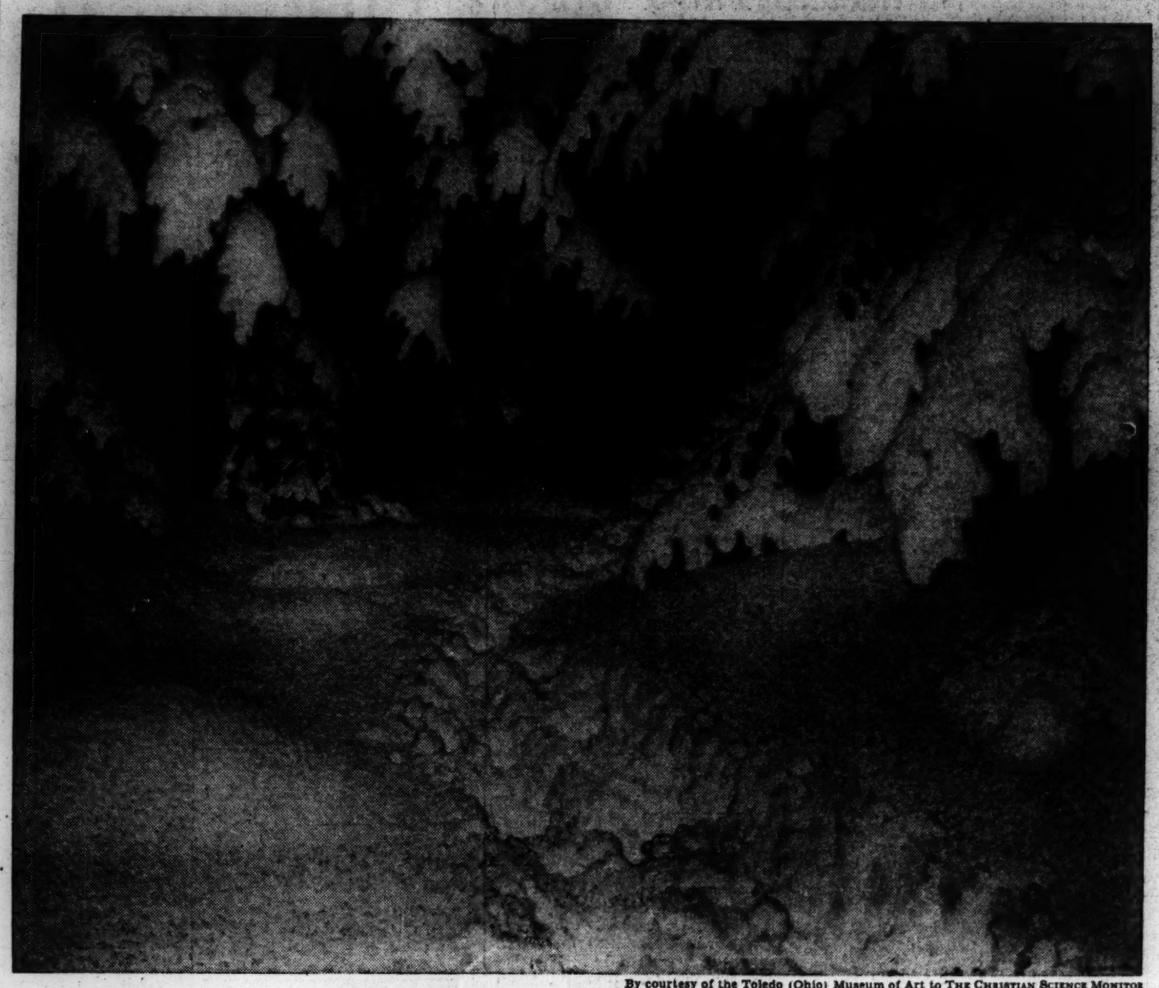

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"SILENCE, WINTER": *A Painting by Gustav Adolf Fjaestad*

A NATIVE OF STOCKHOLM, Gustav Adolf Fjaestad was born in 1868. He was a pupil of two notable Swedish painters, Carl Larsson and Bruno Liljefors. The decorative possibilities of a subject seem to interest him chiefly, for Fjaestad has not only painted, he has also been a designer of furniture, tapestries, and textiles.

Winter in the woodlands is a subject which he has represented often in his paintings. This canvas in the Toledo Museum of Art reveals the favorite theme, spruce branches bent under the burden of snow. Fjaestad has expressed understandingly the wintry chill and the solitude.

Aurora Borealis

Suddenly
Is the night made luminous—
A rain of white fire falls in a
wavering curtain
Above the dark and sleeping hills.

DOLORES CAIRNS

Kärleksfull fördragsamhet

Översättning från engelskan av ovanstående artikel i Kristen Vetenskap

BLAND de egenskaper, som pryda en ädel karaktär, är fördragsamhet en av de mest älskliga. Huru snobbt den gör en bekymmersam situation harmonisk! Huru effektivt den framkallar samklang! Vem har icke längtat efter fördragsamhet, när han varit misskänd och missförstådd, och känt sig uppfylld av tacksamhet, när den blivit manifesterad!

Kristen Vetenskap, kristendomens Vetenskap, visar oss, huru vi skola kunna aktivt uttrycka denna älskvärda dygd, och huru vi skola kunna bannlysa dess motsats—ofördragsamhet—från vårt liv och vår erfarenhet. Det är ett axiom, att vi alla önska äga det goda—och sann fördragsamhet är en av det godas egenskaper—men detta är icke tillräckligt. Vi måste vetenskapligt varsebliva dess sanna natur och varifrån den kommer, samt huru den rätt manifesteras. Kristen Vetenskap uppenbarar ursprunget till allt som är sant och rätt samt förklarar, huru det goda kan vetenskapligt förvärvas, beständigt bibehållas och till fullo åtnjutas.

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Gud är oändligt god och skaparen av allt som är gott. Han har frambragt en god skapelse, alltså är en god skapelse allt som äger verklighet eller väsenhet. Bibeln upprepar gång på gång det eviga faktum, att Gud är den ende skaparen, och den förklarar även, att "Gud såg på allt som han hade gjort, och se, det var mycket gott." Kristen Vetenskaps lärobok, *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* [Vetenskap och hälsa med nyckel till Skriften] av Mary Baker Eddy framlägger en ofelbar regel för sättet att berika vårt liv med sådant som är värdigt, ädelt och gott. Vi läsa (sid. 261): "Håll tanken ståndaktigt fästad vid det bestående, det goda och det sanna, så skall du bringa detta in i din erfarenhet i samma mån som det upptager dina tankar." Här är en metod, som är enkel i tillämpningen, oföränderlig i sin verkan och ofelbar i sitt resultat. När vi ihärdigt öva oss att tänka och leva rätt, bannlyses ofördragsamhet snabbt från vår erfarenhet, emedan det icke är en egenskap, som tillhör Gud, det goda.

Ordet "tolerans" i dess ursprungliga mening betyder att bära eller lyfta upp. All intolerans kommer av föreställningen att någon eller något är orätt eller förtjänar att fördömas. Eftersom Guds verk är rätt till sitt väsen och gott i sig självt, är det självklart, att vad som är orätt därvidlag härrör från en felaktig eller förvrängd synvinkel. Vad vi ha att göra, är att rätta vår synvinkel.

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En person skulle kunna äga ett vackert hem med sympatiska grannar och behagliga omgivningar. Men om fönsterrutorna i huset vore av blått glas finge han en missfärgad eller oriktig syn på allt vad han betraktade genom dem. Om han då bytte ut de blå rutorna emot klart genomskinliga, finge han en klar och riktig syn på det hela. När kärlek gör vår syn klar, varsebliva vi Kärlekens verklighet, Guds fullkomliga människa, härligheten av Andens skapelse, det sublima hos Själens idéer.

Betyder detta, att vi aldrig skola urskilja villfarelsen utan måste ropa: "'Allt står väl till, allt står väl till', och dock står icke allt väl till" (Jer. 6:14)? Visst icke! Sann fördragsamhet innebär icke underkastelse under det onda eller undergivenhet gentemot dess falska krav. *Science and Health* förmanar oss (sid. 393): "Höj dig i Andens makt till att motstå allt som är olikt det goda." Men sant motstånd består icke i att fördöma personer eller att vara intolerant mot deras skenbara svagheter. Kristen Vetenskap visar oss klart och tydligt, att vi måste övervinna, icke överse med villfarelsen, att vi måste "tillintetgöra" den, icke giva den verklighet och makt. När vi tillåta villfarelse i vad form som helst att göra oss ofördragsamma, kritiska, fördömande, klandersjuka och långsinta, hava vi "tillnågotgjort" den, givit den verklighet och makt att störa oss. Denna mentala inställning helar eller tillintetgör aldrig villfarelsen utan kommer den endast att taga sig mera verklig ut.

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En ung flicka arbetade på ett kontor, där förhållandena föreföllo mycket disharmoniska. Efter det hon för första gången bevistat ett föredrag över Kristen Vetenskap, tillbragte hon en god del av natten med att begrunda de sanningar, hon hade hört. Hon beslöt att göra allt vad i hennes makt stod för att förbättra förhållandena just där hon var genom vänlighet och tålig fördragsamhet. Inom kort blev hon erbjuden en mycket bättre anställning och avsevärt högre avlöning. I den mån vi lära mera av Vetenskapen om det oändliga goda, uppehålla vi oss mera vid Kärlekens älsklighet och Själens storhet. Detta sanna medvetande gör vår syn klarare, för bort villfarelsen, överlämnar den åt glömskan och gör den maktlös och oförmögen att upprora oss, att borttaga vårt lugna erkännande av harmonisk och glädjerik tillvaro.

Det godas allhet är tillgänglig för människan. Det godas fullhet väntar envar som söker det på rätt sätt. Kärlek är den gyllene nyckel, som öppnar dörren till det oändliga godas förvaringsrum. Den som är kärleksfullt fördragsam, renhjärtad och full av medkänsla, finner lätt vägen ditin. Han äger den dyrbara gåva, som beskrives i de vackra orden i en hymn ur Kristen Vetenskaps Hymnbok (nr. 243):

Stark att välsigna, läkdom ge,
Ljuv som en grynings milda sken,
Sådan är gåvan till Guds barn—
Mildhetens gåva, god och ren.

Upplysningar angående litteratur i Kristen Vetenskap, översatt till svenska, kunna erhållas genom förlaget, The Christian Science Publishing Society, Boston, Massachusetts, U. S. A.

For People Who Like to Be Alone

SWEDEN, INDEED, is a tourist's paradise. The country is as well organized as it is beautiful. Everything is solid, practical, convenient.

The trains are perhaps the most comfortable in Europe, and they run on time. Hotel rooms are models of cleanliness, with gleaming white bed linen and towels, spick-and-span washbowls and bathtubs. Service is individual and efficient, without risk of overcharge as a rule. Casual acquaintances are friendly and helpful, though not exactly effusive. . . .

The Swedish language presents few difficulties for those who know German. It is simple, though rich and melodious. To learn it was a real pleasure for me, and it did not take me long. I think I was able to read the papers after three or four weeks. . . .

The Sweden I first came to was a happy, carefree land. Long ago the Swedes had put their house in perfect working condition. They had solved their economic and social problems in exemplary fashion. . . .

Like nearly all foreigners who have lived in Sweden, I came to be very fond of the land and of its people. While it cannot compare with the majestic beauty of Norway or the picturesque charm of France, Sweden has a great and peculiar fascination, especially for people who like to be alone.

Stockholm is a marvelous place. I cannot think of any other metropolis where it is so easy to get away quickly from the city center and find oneself in the utter solitude of a dark forest, or a sun-parched, humming heath, or of a little secluded beach studded with cliffs. . . .

Among other Swedish delights that will stay with me forever is a patch of desolate heathland atop a steep height just off the Tyresö road. To get there, you had to scramble over gnarled stubs and deep crevices, and to penetrate some of the thickest undergrowth you'd find anywhere outside of the tropics. But when you got to the top, panting and perspiring, what a glorious view!

All around you were the wooded peaks of a rolling hillside. In the distance, the gentle contours of Stockholm. Still farther away, a glimpse of the Baltic. And there, just at your feet, a shimmering maze of creeks and lakes screened at intervals by projecting rocks or by the evergreen branches of bluish spruce, with hundreds of gleaming white sails dotting the waterscape.—From "Skalwart Sweden," by JOSEPHUS JONSTEN. (New York: Doubleday, Doran.)

From My Library Walls

ON MY LIBRARY WALL hangs a photograph of Dr. Guido Biagi, for many years Prefect of the Laurentian Library in Florence, a famous scholar, a real humanist, and, during the last thirty years of his life, one of my closest friends. It was he who interpreted Italy to me, and made me love it as he did. I am glad he did not remain to see his beloved country degraded by Fascism, for to him it would have been a poignant and personal grief. His apartment in Florence and his villa at Castiglioncello were wide open to me whenever I was in Italy; my home in Boston was his home when he came to America as Royal Commissioner in 1904.

One day at the Laurentian Library, I found my friend unusually excited. "I have just made an interesting discovery," he exclaimed. "All these years, readers have wondered how George Eliot could have drawn in 'Romola' such a marvelously accurate picture of Italy and the Italians without actually being in Italy. At the Magliabecchian Library yesterday, I accidentally came across some library slips bearing the signature of George Henry Lewes. I think, with these and Mary Evans' diary, we can trace the whole sequence. Shall we take on the adventure?"

We did, and this is what we found:

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Mary Ann Evans' first visit to Italy was in 1849, in company with her friends, the Brays, when she sought distraction from her grief over her father's passing. It was a short trip, but the people and the monuments made a deep impression on her. Eleven years later she returned to Italy, this time with her friend and faithful guide, George Henry Lewes. Now she found herself even more deeply affected. "I think I must tell you the secret," she wrote John Blackwood, "though I am distrusting my power to make it grow into a published fact. When we were in Florence, I was rather fired with the idea of writing an historical romance—scene, Florence; period, the close of the fifteenth century, which was marked by Savonarola's career and martyrdom. Mr. Lewes has encouraged me to persevere in the project, saying that I should probably do something in historical romance rather different in character from what has been done before."

But, when George Eliot returned to London, the idea for another story came into her mind, which developed into "Silas Marner." That the urge to produce her historical romance was still strong, however, is shown in that, as soon as "Silas Marner" was off her hands, she and Lewes returned to Florence, this time with the definite purpose of producing it.

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It was at this point that Lewes' contribution to the story comes in. "He was in continual distraction, having to attend to my wants," she records in her diary, "poking around everywhere on my behalf." This explains Lewes' presence in the Magliabecchian Library, and Dr. Biagi's discovery of the original library cards he used gives one a perfect insight into the source material George Eliot used. There was Ferrario's "Costume Antico e Moderno," which supplied George Eliot with accurate information on historical surroundings and concerning the materials in which to clothe her characters; Lippi's "Malmantile" contains proverbs, phrases, and quaint sayings that are echoed in the dialogue of the characters; the physical details of the background to the story were found in Del Migliore's "Firenze Illustrata" and Rastelli's "Firenze Antica e Moderna."

Even the manuscripts were fully drawn upon. The magnificent description of the celebration of the Feast of Saint John in "Romola" came directly from the MS. of Chiari's "Priorista." George Eliot's first knowledge of the Bardi family undoubtedly came from Passerini's notes on the old families of Florence, appended to Ademollo's "Marietta dei Ricci." On her return to London, after "thirty-four days of precious time spent in Florence. Will it be in vain?" George Eliot undertook the actual writing of her romance, fully armed with reliable data covering the costumes, language, historical and genealogical backgrounds essential to her work.

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She approached her work with definite misgivings, but with the continuing inspiration of Lewes' confidence. "In the morning sunshine, I told him my conception of my story," she writes, "and he expressed great delight. Shall I ever be able to carry out my ideas? Flashes of hope are succeeded by long intervals of dim distrust."

A fortunate coincidence was of great assistance to George Eliot. Just at this time, Pasquale Villari's masterly life of Savonarola was published. There seems no question that this volume supplied her with the inspiration that made Savonarola one of the two chief figures in "Romola," and the dramatic scenes when Baldassarre Calvo meets Tito Melema on the steps of the Cathedral, and the liberation of the Lunigiana prisoners, are directly traceable to material contained in Villari's work.

It was fascinating to me, at that time inexperienced as a writer, to follow, under Biagi's careful guidance, the original material from its source to the finished use made of it by such an artist as George Eliot. It increased my love for Florence and my appreciation of the part historic background and beauty of surroundings play in the evolution of human character. Even to think of Italy—especially Rome and Florence—now lying at the mercy of barbarian vindictiveness, makes it impossible not to consider the danger of loss through destruction as personal, not only to me, but to all the world.

WILLIAM DANA ORCUTT

Ducks at Dawn

Now mallow, teal, and pintail flying
Above the marsh grass all along the shore
Becloud the sky with dark wings, crying,
Crying with dissonance where breakers roar.

Now plumage lit with golden fire
Shines iridescent in the first bright rays
Of sun that rises swiftly higher,
Only to disappear in autumn haze.

Wheeling, turning, winged black battalions,
Soaring on arrowy pinions toward the south,
Fly over waves that rear like untamed stallions
Where ocean meets the bay at river's mouth.

LOUISE DARCY

Christmas in The Ozarks

PUNCH AND JUDY will wear bows of red ribbon on their collars as they greet you when you drive up our lane here in the Ozark Mountains on Christmas Eve. . . .

First to arrive will be Aunt Lizzie and Uncle John, their lantern bobbing along beside Uncle John's long legs as they walk up the lane. Aunt Lizzie will sniff at our heap of pine boughs on the mantel and our espaliered Christmas tree in the bay window as citified foolishment, but she'll bring a tiny bunch of scarlet wild rose hips and other colorful seeds gathered from our Ozark woods. Then, in a moment, other guests, old and young, will be there and the fun will be on. . . .

Then the Jedge will put on long cotton whiskers, just for fun, and, pass out the simple little gifts we have for everyone—bright thimbles, handkerchiefs, colored fabrics, gay aprons—trinkets picked up in the city for a song. Then you'll help me bring in a big baked ham, studded with citron and candied cherries, stacks of buns buttered from the village bakery, and a big earthen pot full of piping-hot spiced cider, with cinnamon sticks, cloves and orange slices floating in its fragrant depths.

After we eat and drink our fill, we shall light the candles on the Christmas tree, and heap more wood on the fire in the great white stone fireplace at the end of the living room. The half-dozen frosty French doors will be left uncurtained; perhaps some of the little woods creatures will share our firelight when they slip quietly up to the terrace to enjoy the birds' and beasts' own Christmas feasts of nuts, grains and suet tied to the shaggy cedar tree, or spread invitingly beneath its drooping branches. Then we'll talk of other Christmases, when there wasn't a house between here and Jack's Fork. . . .

We shall quietly close the door and walk eastward a few short steps to the mountain top. Then we shall stand, awed by the majesty of vast space and great silence, to trace the distant ridges velvety black in the silver starlight. *There It is*, the Jedge will suddenly say, pointing. And there It will be . . . the Star of the East! Brilliant, beautiful, mystic in its blue-white radiance. You, perhaps, will start to sing "Holy Night," softly, reverently, your breath visible as smoky puffs in the yellow lantern glow. We shall join with you . . . a prayer in our hearts for those who know not the peace on earth and good will toward men we are sharing at Sunrise Mountain Farm.—From "And Green Grass Grows All Around," by MARGUERITE LYON. (Indianapolis: Bobbs-Merrill.)

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Nation, State, and Industry Commemorate Wrights' First Flight

Tokyo Repatriation Ban Blamed on Race Baiters

Interruption of negotiations for return of American nationals from Japan laid to malicious campaign by public as well as to private organizations by Assistant Director of War Relocation Cozzens.

By a Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17—Responsibility for the cessation of negotiations for the exchange of American nationals held by Japan is placed upon "agitators of race hatred" by R. B. Cozzens, Assistant Director of the War Relocation Authority, from his office here. Any further arrangements for exchange of American nationals for Japanese nationals held in this country have been suspended until conditions in Japanese relocation camps in the West are investigated for Japan by representatives of the Spanish Government.

"There can be no doubt," Mr. Cozzens said, "that the interruption of negotiations for the return of American soldiers and civilians, including women and children now in the hands of the Japanese, was caused by the malicious campaign which has been carried on by agitators of race hatred, including public as well as private organizations and individuals.

"Early in November, there was a disturbance at the Tule Lake center in northern California, where WRA has placed Japanese who are not loyal to the United States. Troops were called in to restore order. The facts of the disturbance were made known to the public. The witch hunters were not content with the facts.

"Distortions, half truths, and exaggerations were more in keeping with their desires. Official investigation and public office were used to dignify the most fantastic stories, thus giving them the semblance of truth. The product of the campaign was a wave of hysterical demand for severely repressive measures to be taken against the Japanese at Tule Lake center and in the relocation centers administered by WRA. Most of the measures demanded would have been in violation of the Geneva Convention.

"The Tule Lake incident itself caused no particular reaction on the part of the Japanese Government as revealed by official Japanese broadcasts. But as the agitation continued, there was increasing evidence of concern on the part of the Japanese Government.

"On Nov. 24, after nearly three weeks of agitation in the United States centering around the Tule Lake incident, the Tokyo Radio announced that the Japanese Government might reconsider its treatment of Americans because of the manner in which Japanese in the United States were being treated. This was followed by word that negotiations for an exchange of Americans and Japanese had been broken off.

"The heedless race haters have hit at every American family which has a loved one in the hands of the Japanese. The thought of American women and children and American soldiers in the hands of the enemy, anxiously awaiting the day when their exchange can be brought about, should have a sobering effect on the fanatical superpatriots who have been agitating for a more restrictive policy on the part of the War Relocation Authority.

"This agency always has conducted its program with full consideration of the security of the nation and of the delicate international situation which is involved. It must and will continue to do so."

Wide World; Harris & Ewing; United Air Lines

Progress in Aviation—First Flight to Present-Day Planes

Upper left: A Boeing Seattle-built Flying Fortress in flight. This four-motored bomber is a fast and heavily armored plane. Upper right: Orville Wright. Center: The start of it all. Here is the famous plane of the Wright brothers which launched flying when it took off from the sands of Kitty Hawk, N. C., on Dec. 17, 1903. The first flight is shown, with Orville riding aboard the craft and Wilbur running alongside. Lower left: Capt. John Daniels, retired Coast Guardsman, an eyewitness of the first flight. Lower right: The Wright Memorial, marking the site of the first flight.

Air Pioneers Honored At Famous Site

Ceremonies at Kitty Hawk include public officials as well as Army and Air Corps officers.

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

KITTY HAWK, N. C., Dec. 17—Homage of the aeronautical industry, the nation, and the state today marked the celebration of the 40th anniversary of the first powered air flight by the Wright brothers here on the sand dunes on Dec. 17, 1903.

At the pylon on Kill Devil Hill, erected to commemorate the accomplishments of Orville and Wilbur Wright near by, the State of North Carolina conducted its officially sponsored exercises on the day which its chief executive named as "Kitty Hawk Day."

The State program was as follows:

Gov. J. Melville Broughton was scheduled to introduce the two principal speakers—Gen. Henry H. Arnold, Chief of the Army Air Forces, and Maj. Gen. Thomas J. Hanley, Commanding Officer of Maxwell Field, Ala. Representative Herbert C. Bonner (D) of Washington, N. C., chairman of the State committee appointed to arrange the celebration, was scheduled to preside.

Ceremony Radiocast

The actual commemoration ceremony began close to the exact hour at which the Wright brothers are said to have made their first flight 40 years ago. A preceremony program also was radiocast from the spot over the nation-wide network of the National Broadcasting Company at 9:35 a. m.

According to reliable accounts, the first powered flight test made with Orville Wright lying prone on the machine covered a distance of 120 feet in 12 seconds. On the fourth test, a distance of 852 feet was covered in a flight lasting 59 seconds.

Telegram on Flight

On the evening of Dec. 17, 1903, Orville Wright sent a telegram from Kitty Hawk to Dayton, Ohio, over a Coast Guard station telegraph key:

"Bishop Milton Wright
"Dayton, Ohio

"Success—four flights Thursday morning, all against 21-mile wind starting from level with engine power alone — average speed through air 31 miles—longest 59 seconds — inform press — home Christmas.

"Orville"

Scant publicity was accorded by the press to what has become, undoubtedly, one of the most epic holiday greetings ever sent. At that period a great American newspaper editor wired its correspondent to "stop sending fake stuff, for nobody believes these wildcat yarns about men flying in an airplane."

Wrights' First Short Flight 'Something' to an Eyewitness

Here is a story of the Wright Brothers' historic first airplane flight on Kill Devil Hill near Kitty Hawk, N. C., written by Capt. John Daniels, retired Coast Guardsman, and one of the two known surviving eyewitnesses.

KITTY HAWK, N. C., Dec. 17 (AP)—I never saw the Wright Brothers until 1902, when I went into the Coast Guard service at Kill Devil. I'd heard about them gliding in 1900 and 1901, but it was a long way from the island up to Kill Devil in those days.

The Wright Brothers asked the men at Kill Devil station to help them with their first flights. I often saw them, because sometimes we would take the mail over to them on a pony and sometimes they'd come over to the station to get it.

They didn't have much to say, and when they did talk, it was mostly about flying. Folks got to like them after they knew them—they were fine young men. They lived in a shack near the hill. They'd mock anything they saw flying. I've seen one of them watching a gannet (gull) and run along twisting his arms as the gannet did.

On Dec. 17, 1903, they run up a signal flag which meant they were going to try to fly that day and needed assistance in dragging the plane from the camp to the hill. They put it on a little track made out of 2x4 scantling lumber, spliced together. The plane was on a little truck running on bicycle hubs.

They had set up their camera and aimed it and asked me to snap it at the right time. When the airplane with Orville in it came over the track and flew up, I snapped it just right and got the whole plane in. It was the first picture I ever made in my life.

On the first flight the plane was so low that a wing hooked into a sand hummock—there used to be a lot of hummocks out there. The flight didn't last long. I didn't think it amounted to much. But when Wilbur flew her about half a mile in 59 seconds it looked like something. Wilbur's flight ended when his rudder hooked into a sand hummock and was pulled off.

After the flight, we were standing around talking and laughing about the flights when a gust of wind took hold of the plane and started moving it. We grabbed it, but it tumbled up and down, just like a hoisted umbrella in the wind, and flung me all around. That ended the flights that year. I ate sand for a whole week after that.

Chilean Congress Applauded For Clipping Spending Wings

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

SANTIAGO, Chile—Decision of the Chilean Congress to clip its own spending wings has been applauded at home and in other South American countries as a self-sacrificial act and also as a clear interpretation of the will of the people.

Congress in joint session, by a majority of 108 to 48, voted an amendment to the Chilean Constitution withdrawing from the legislature its power to augment the budget by placing in the hands of the President of the Republic the power to create new public services or paid official posts.

The formal amendment to the Constitution, first important change since it was adopted in 1925, had been the subject of numerous press and parliamentary battles for eight years, but it always counted on substantial support among the people.

President Pleased

President Rios expressed "great pleasure" at the congressional action, though the measure first had been argued during the government of his predecessor, Dr. Arturo Alessandri, writer of the 1925 Constitution. Presidents and finance ministers henceforth will be free from the worry of unexpected upsets to budgetary calculations.

The continental press has hailed the Chilean amendment, newspapers in neighboring countries recognizing defects in their own legislatures because members are allowed to present bills providing for the expenditure of public money. Chile, it is conceded, has not been alone in allowing the politician too much scope in financial matters.

La Prensa, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, suggests that this is one of the reforms, slow but sure, which comes from the will of the people being interpreted through the freedom of thought and speech. When Argentina again has its Congress, it is contended, one of the first duties should be to follow in Chile's path and to deprive itself of the right to initiate expenditures of any kind, for road or railway construction, pensions, bonuses, etc.

In Peru, there have been similar comments with the recognition that Congress there should be able to prune but not expand national budgets. The Chilean argument, now law, maintains that the financial administration of a country should have the right to propose financial measures, in whatever category these may be, because it alone has to find the income to defray the cost.

Mounting Finances

For decades and generations, in North American and European countries as well as in South America, it has been found almost impossible to keep within the limits of the annual national budget, because all kinds of extra expenses have been introduced. In many cases the executive power itself has made its own finances difficult by approving extra expenditures by means of decrees. The Chilean triumph, however, is spectacular because it has defeated the politician seeking votes by proposing expenditure of taxpayers' money.

Chile has not been alone in this system of giving the politician too much scope. The error has been almost universal. The result has been, of course, that members of Congress have formed into "blocs" whereby A has voted for B's scheme in return for the latter's vote for A's plans.

In the case of a big matter, it is pointed out, it is the people themselves who always will decide. A project can be carried to the country and the electorate decides by returning those in favor or those against.

In the future, in Chile, if a member of Congress has a good idea he can take it to his political party's office or direct to the executive power. The pros and cons can be studied and, if accepted, presented for the approval of the people's representatives.

Vocationists Chart Training Of 31,000,000 for Peace Jobs

CHICAGO, Dec. 17 (AP) — A technical training program, one of the methods designed to facilitate the shifting of 31,00,000 persons now in war jobs or the armed services back to peacetime work, was outlined yesterday at the American Vocational Association's convention.

Officials of the United States Office of Education, who spoke at the meeting, said vocational education programs had trained 9,000,000 persons for war jobs and that they may train an even larger number for postwar employment.

Harry A. Jager, head of occupational information and guidance service of the Office of Education, said in an interview that the retraining program will begin experimentally in a number of states within the next two weeks. Details will be disclosed soon, he indicated.

L. F. Fletcher of Peoria, Ill., a member of the Office's working committee on vocational technical training, said the nation needs 200 new technical institutes that would turn out 60,000 technicians annually.

"In industry the emloyment of the unskilled is giving way to semiskilled and skilled," he told the conference.

"In addition, there must be a 30 per cent increase of production per year after the war over the best prewar year in order to produce an annual national income of $130,000,000,000 and prevent unemployment. This will increase the need for skilled workers."

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the institutes serve entire areas instead of a single city, and that they emphasize the technology peculiar to the needs of industries within that area.

Draft Expected To Hit Shipyards

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The U. S. Maritime Commission, anticipating heavy losses of shipyard workers to the armed services after Jan. 1, yesterday advised all shipyard operators to institute immediate recruiting programs for labor replacements.

The recent abolition of nondeferrable draft classifications lumps shipyard workers with eligible draftees in all other occupations, and the Maritime Commission expects sharp increases in draft calls of younger shipyard employees next month.

The Commission's announcement urged shipyards to concentrate their recruiting drives on women, discharged soldiers and sailors, 4-F and over-draft-age groups.

Some shipyards now employ as much as 25 per cent women but many others have not fully utilized women in jobs they are able to do, the Commission reported.

War Is a Family Affair

NAPLES, Italy, Dec. 17 (AP)—They met at a Red Cross dance, but they did not dance.

They just sat there looking at each other for a long time and holding hands. Then they both began talking at once.

He asked: "How did you find me?"

She laughed and began telling him all the details of landing in Italy with a newly arrived Women's Army Corps contingent and figuring out his APO address and concluding that he was here too.

"Then I began asking if your unit was somewhere in this country," she said, "and when I found out that it was they couldn't keep me from finding you."

"Gee," he said. "You're swell. Still can't believe it."

She said: "It's been over a year. Do you remember the day after Thanksgiving last year?"

"Sure," he replied. "We were sworn in at the same time in San Francisco—Private Alvin Bailey and Private Theresa Bailey."

The dance band began making a lot of noise then. So they went onto the terrace and stood there, holding hands. She told him how she had telephoned and driven from headquarters to headquarters around Naples and how some engineers finally told her where to find him.

And when she finally got the telephone number of his unit they told her that he had gone to the Red Cross dance. So she came, too.

One of his friends joined them just then and said: "Hello, Al. How about an introduction?"

"Sure," said the engineer. "This is my mother, Mrs. Theresa Bailey."

Wickard Lauds Negro Farmers

TUSKEGEE, Ala., Dec. 17 (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard told a Southwide Negro Farm Leaders Conference today that trained Negro leadership has been rendering invaluable service to the wartime food production program.

In an address prepared for the conference at Tuskegee Institute, the Cabinet officer said Negroes are tilling 30,000,000 acres of farm land having a value of $836,000,000, and lauded efforts of the leaders conference, which was started 52 years ago by Dr. Booker T. Washington.

"The conference has been instrumental," the Secretary said, "in spreading the doctrine of self-help among Negro farmers, and in promoting better living conditions."

"When the conference began, it was doing the main job of education among colored farmers all by itself. During the intervening years, many new agencies—including the land-grant colleges, the extension service, private institutions having agricultural departments, and various Federal agencies—have been instituted to amplify the practical objectives of the conference.

"This has resulted," Mr. Wickard said, "in a marked advance in farming knowledge relating to crop diversification, soil improvement and conservation, land-use planning, livestock development, and closer co-operation among farmers themselves in coping with their mutual problems."

Non-Stop Flight of 120 Feet Viewed as 'Cock and Bull Yarn'

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 17 (AP)—The plane made a non-stop flight of 120 feet.

And newspapers were reluctant to believe the reporter and his "cock and bull yarn."

That was just 40 years ago today—the day that Orville and Wilbur Wright proved to a disbelieving world that man could fly.

Harry P. Moore, veteran marine reporter of the Virginian-Pilot, obtained the "scoop" on the first successful flight and then had a hard time selling it.

The managing editor of one newspaper, Mr. Moore recalled, telegraphed: "We don't want any cock and bull yarn like that" and even declined to pay for the message asking if the story were desired.

The Virginian-Pilot and five other newspapers did use the story, but the Norfolk paper was the only one to put the momentous news on the front page.

Mr. Moore, who first heard about the carryings on of two "crazy loons" at Kitty Hawk through a North Carolinian visiting Norfolk, kept tab on the Wright brothers' experiments for three years without either of the inventors being aware of the fact.

On the morning of Dec. 17, 1903, Mr. Moore said, "I got word from my friends that the Wrights had 'gone up.'"

"One of them flew just like a bird," Mr. Moore said his informant told him. "I never did think they would fly," the man said, "but darned if they didn't do it. Everybody down here thought Orville Wright would be killed, but he landed on the sand and is all right." Mr. Moore recalled that while the first flight was in progress, Dan Simpson, cook at the life saving station (now the coast guard), was standing at a window. When he saw the machine in the air he is reported to have dropped the batter of two pancakes in his hat, on a nearby chair, instead of the frying pan.

It was hard to believe, but the "looney" men from Ohio knew what they were about.

Sir Walter Layton Views Australia As Optimistic and Keyed to Victory

By a Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

SAN FRANCISCO—Australia's war attitude and outlook as interpreted here by Sir Walter Layton, on his way home to Britain with reports for the Ministry of Information, must effectively reduce grumbling and impatience on the part of some Pacific Coast dwellers with the progress of the Pacific war.

Britain's homeward-bound observer was until recently head of his country's joint war production staff and chief adviser on programs and planning for the British Ministry of Production. He was formerly Editor of The Economist, and is present Chairman of the London News Chronicle.

The Australian attitude and outlook, as this distinguished Briton will report on them to his Government and the people of his homeland, are most emphatically courageous, militant, and tirelessly patient. But above all they are optimistic, hopeful, and keyed doggedly to victory.

As to any shortage of supplies and equipment from the United States for war-making purposes, the British fact-finder "heard no complaint among Australians." Lest this be accepted as too conclusive he hastened to add that the Australian civilians, with whom he spent much of his time, were not in a position to judge.

The Australians and New Zealanders, Sir Walter believes, are prepared to accept the policy of the United Nations, which is to press the war in Europe and get it finished, and then to proceed with the Pacific war on an all-out basis.

Common Fund For All Nations Now Proposed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Representative Charles S. Dewey (R) of Illinois today introduced legislation establishing a central reconstruction fund to be used in "joint account" with other nations for rehabilitation, stabilization of currency and reconstruction in war-torn countries.

Former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and from 1927 to 1930 the United States financial advisor in Poland on currency stabilization there, Mr. Dewey testified before the House Foreign Affairs Committee today, urging adoption of his new international plan. He proposed it as an amendment to the bill under consideration which provides for United States participation in work of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation organization.

The central reconstruction would go "joint account" with any other interested nations within amounts appropriated by Congress for rehabilitation, currency stabilization and long term credits or credit guarantees.

The United States, whose participation would be limited to 50 per cent of the total cost, would act independently, deciding to what extent it should participate. A board of governors of the fund would be created composed of two state department members, two from the treasury, two from the reconstruction finance corporation, two senators, two house members and two governors of the Federal Reserve Board. The chairman, named by the President with Senate consent, could be dismissed by the President.

Secretary Morrison Sees Victory Soon

LONDON, Dec. 17 (AP)—Home Secretary Herbert Morrison expressed hope for victory in Europe next year in a Christmas message yesterday to the police services in England and Wales.

Wright Brothers' Original Airplane To Return to U. S.

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—Return of the original Wright brothers' airplane, which made the first powered flight on Dec. 17, 1903, from England to the historical aeronautical collection at the Smithsonian Institution, is expected to be announced tonight at a dinner in honor of Orville Wright at the Hotel Statler here.

The machine, which now reposes in the South Kensington Museum in London, thus will revert to its native land virtually on the fortieth anniversary of its first flight off the sand dunes at Kitty Hawk, N. C.

In his annual 1943 report on the Smithsonian Institution, Dr. C. G. Abbott, Secretary of the Institution, has given full credit to the Wright Brothers as the first to make sustained flights in a heavier-than-air machine. The reconditioned Langley aerodrome, which had long been labeled by the Institution as the "Langley Flying Machine" has been changed to conform to the historical facts.

Robert H. Hinckley, assistant to the President of Sperry Corporation and formerly Assistant Secretary of Commerce under President Roosevelt, is one of the originators of the anniversary dinner.

Senate Approves Change In Fraud Informer Law

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (AP)—The Senate approved by a voice vote yesterday legislation rewriting an 1863 law allowing informers of frauds against the Government to collect half of any damages recovered.

Senator William Langer, (R) of North Dakota, spoke in opposition for nearly six hours, contending citizens should retain the right to recover damages for furnishing information as to frauds.

The legislation restricts informers suits to those based on original information and cuts the compensation to 10 per cent in most cases. It passed the House in different form.

Today's Closing Quotations on the New York Stock Exchange and N.Y. Curb

Stks./Divds (Dollars)	Sales (100s)	High	Low	Close	Net Ch'ge
Abbott Lab 1.60a	1	57¾	59¾	56¾	
Acme Sti (3a)	1	50½	50½	50½	+ ¼
Adams Exp (1½g)	13	10¼	9⅞	10¼	
Addressog-Multi 1	10	20	19¾	20	+ ¾
Air Reduction 1a	14	40½	40	40½	+ ½
Alaska Juneau	18	6¼	5⅞	6¼	+ ⅛
Allegheny Corp	19	2¼	2⅛	2⅛	
Allegheny pf xw	8	25½	25	25	— ¼
Alleg pf 530 ww	54	26	25¼	25¼	— ¼
Allegheny pr pf	1	38½	38½	38½	— ¼
Alleg Lud Sti 2g	31	25¼	24⅞	25¼	+ ¼
Al Chem & Dye 6	5	146	145	145	— ¾
Allied Kid (1)	3	13¾	13¾	13¾	— ⅛
Allied Mills (1g)	*134	34¾	32⅝	34¼	+1⅛
Allied Strs .60	17	15⅜	15¼	15⅜	+ ⅛
Allis-Ch Mfg 1¼g	32	38¼	37¼	37½	+ ¼
Alpha P Cem .1	5	18⅝	18¼	18⅝	+ ⅛
Amal Leather	2	1¾	1⅝	1¾	— ⅛
Am-AgChem 1.20a	6	28¾	28¼	28¾	+1
Am Airlines 1½g	4	61½	61	61½	+ ½
Am Bank Note .55g	1	16¾	16¾	16¾	
Am Bosch (¼ae)	4	⅜	7¼	7⅜	+ ⅛
Am Brake Sh 1.80g	2	40	35½	40	+1
Am Br S pf 5¼ †	40	131	130	131	
Am Cable & Rad	6	8¼	8	8¼	+ ⅛
Am Can (3)	2	84	84	84	— ¾
Am Can pf (7) †	70	170	170	170	
Am Car & Fdy 4g	48	35⅝	34	35½	+1⅛
Am C&F pf 1.40g	7	67¼	67	67	+ ⅛
Am Ch&Cable (2)	1	23⅛	23¼	23¼	
Am Chicle (4a) †	20	108½	108½	108½	+ ½
Am Colortype ¾g	2	10	9⅞	10	+ ⅛
Am Crystal Sug (1)	9	14½	14¼	14½	+ ⅛
Am Distill	34	124½	120	121¾	—1½
Am Encaus Tiling	3	2¼	2⅛	2¼	
Am & For Power	1	4⅜	4⅜	4⅜	
Am&FPS6pf 4.35t	2	64¼	63¼	64¼	+1¼
Am FP S7pf .5.07t	1	74	74	74	+1
Am & FP 2 pf	14	16⅞	16½	16¾	+ ⅜
Am-Haw SS (3)	1	34⅜	34⅜	34⅜	+ ⅜
Am Hide&Leath	3	3¼	3⅛	3¼	+ ⅛
Am Home P 2.40a	5	67¼	66¼	67¼	+1¼
Am Ice	11	4⅜	4½	4⅜	+ ⅛
Am Locomotive	*97	15¾	15½	15⅝	+ ⅛
Am Loco pf 7	*6	80	79¼	80	+1¼
Am M & Fdy .80	3	14⅜	14⅜	14⅜	
Am Metal (1½g)	7	23⅜	22⅞	22⅞	+ ⅛
Am News 1.80 †	50	34½	34½	34½	+ ½
Am Pow & Light	11	2¾	2¾	2¾	
Am P & L $6 pf	11	44⅞	44¼	44¾	+ ¼
Am P & Lt $5 pf	13	40⅜	40	40⅜	+ ¼
Am Rad&St S .40g	41	9	8¾	9	+ ⅛
Am Roll Mill (1g)	32	12½	12⅛	12½	+ ¼
Am R M pf4½ †	320	6⅞	59¾	60⅞	+ ⅞
Am Safety Razor 1e	2	14¼	14¼	14¼	+ ¼
Am Ship Bld 3g †	210	26⅜	26	26¼	— ⅛
Am Smelt&R (2a)	18	37¼	36⅞	37⅛	+ ⅜
Am Smelt pf 7 †	190	149	148¾	149	+ ¾
Am Snuff (2.40)	1	40½	40½	40½	
Am Snuff pf (6) †	20	147	146	146	
Am Sti Fdrs (2)	53	25⅞	25	25¾	+ ⅝
Am Stores (1)	1	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞	+ ⅛
Am Stove (1.20)	3	17⅛	16⅞	16⅞	— ⅛
Am Sug Ref 1½a	6	30	29½	29⅝	— ⅜
Am Sum Tob (2g)	2	27½	27⅜	27½	+ ¼
Am Tel & Tel (9)	18	154	153⅜	154	— ⅛
Am Tobacco (3a)	6	55½	55	55½	+ ¾
Am Tobacco B (3a)	14	58	57½	57¾	
Am Tob pf (6) †	40	138½	138	138½	
Am Type Fdrs 1½g	3	9	8¾	9	+ ⅛
Am Viscose (2)	2	44⅞	44½	44½	— ⅜
Am Water Works	32	6¼	6	6¼	+ ⅛
Am Woolen	6	5⅜	5¼	5⅜	
Am Zinc L & S	1	4½	4½	4½	
Anaconda Cop 2½g	42	24¾	24⅜	24¾	+ ⅛
AnchorHockG1 .45e	1	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	+ ⅛
Anacon W&C 1 †	110	25¼	25½	25½	— ⅛
Arch-Dan-Mid (2)	1	43	43	43	
Armour Ill	9	4⅞	4¾	4⅞	+ ⅛
Arm Ill pr pf 1¼ak	3	71	70½	71	+1¼
Armstrong C 1.35g	2	36¾	36⅝	36⅝	+ ⅛
Assd Dry Gds (1g)	16	13¼	12⅞	13	— ⅛
Assd DG 2pf 7 †	10	85½	85½	85½	— ½
Associates Inv 1½	4	38⅛	38⅛	38⅛	— ⅜
Atch T & SF (6)	24	55⅜	53¾	55¼	+1⅜
Atl Coast Line (3g)	12	26⅜	25¼	26⅜	+1
Atl G&W Ind (3g)	2	29½	28¾	29½	+ ¾
Atl Refining (1g)	2	26½	26⅜	26½	+ ⅛
Atlas Corp (½gg)	10	11¾	11⅜	11¾	+ ⅛
Atlas Pow 3¼ag †	110	53⅞	53½	53½	— ⅜
Austin Nichols	76	8⅞	8⅜	8½	+ ⅛
Aust N pr A3½ak †	590	75¾	73½	75¾	+1¾
Aviation Corp .20g	28	3½	3⅜	3½	
Bald Loc ct 1½g	152	19⅞	19¼	19⅞	+ ⅜
Balt & Ohio	18	5¾	5	5¼	
Balt & Ohio pf	16	8⅞	8⅜	8⅞	+ ⅜
Ban&Ar pf7½ak †	40	63¾	63	63¾	+ ¼
Bangor & Ar	2	9½	9⅜	9½	+ ⅛
Barber Asphalt	32	24¼	23¾	24¼	+1
Barnsdall Oil .60a	1	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛	
Bath Iron Wks (4)	*11	15½	15¼	15⅜	
Baylk Cigars 1½g	1	26¼	26¼	26¼	
Beatrice Cr 1.85g	1	32¼	32¼	32¼	— ¼
Beech Aircraft 1g	4	7	9	—	—
Bell Aircraft (1a)	9	10⅜	10¼	10⅜	+ ¼
Bendix Aviat (3)	*5	54	53¾	54	
Benef Ind Ln 1.35g	*2	16¼	16¼	16½	— ⅛
Best & Co 1.60a	1	32⅝	32⅝	32⅝	— ⅛
Best Foods (.80g)	10	16	15⅝	15⅞	+ ⅛
Beth Steel (6)	14	57	56½	57	+ ½
Black&Decker 1.60	3	16⅜	16	16	— ¼
Blaw-Knox (.60g)	6	8	7⅞	8	+ ⅛
Boeing Airpl (2g)	10	13	12⅞	13	— ⅛
Bohn Al & Br (3g)	3	44	44	44	+ ¼
Bon Ami A 4	40	87	87	87	+1
Bon Ami B 2½ †	50	46	46	46	
Bond Stores (2g)	4	34⅞	34¼	34⅞	
Borden Co (1½g)	4	28¾	28⅝	28¾	+ ⅛
Borg-Warner 1.60	8	35¾	35¼	35¾	+ ¾
Boston & Maine	3	2⅞	2⅞	2⅞	— ⅛
Bower Roll B 2½g	2	37⅛	36½	37⅛	+ ⅛
Braniff Airways .60	3	12¾	12⅝	12¾	
Bridgeport Br (1)	4	9	8¾	8¾	— ⅛
Briggs Mfg (2)	6	26½	26¼	26⅜	+ ⅛
Bklyn-Man Transit	2	⅞	⅞	⅞	
Bklyn Un Gas 1½g	1	14⅜	14⅜	14⅜	
Brown Shoe (2)	1	39	39	39	+ ⅜
Brunswick-Bal (1)	1	16¼	16¼	16¼	— ¼
Bucyrus-Erie .60g	4	8¾	8⅛	8⅜	
Budd Mfg	37	6¼	5⅞	5⅞	
Budd Mfg pf	†150	97¾	96	97¾	+2¼
Budd Mfg 55pf	†220	48¾	48	48	— ¾
Budd Wheel (½gg)	1	7¼	7¼	7⅛	— ⅛
Bullard Co 2½g	1	17	17	17	— ⅛
Bulova Watch (2)	2	33	33	33	+ ⅛
Burlng Mills 1.90e	11	27½	26⅞	27½	+1
Burr Add Mach .60	14	12¾	12	12⅛	+ ⅛
Bush Termin'l .20e	6	4⅛	3⅞	4	+ ⅛
Bush Term pf 6 †	20	55	55	55	+1½
Bush T B pf 3k †	320	39¾	38	39¾	+1¾
Butler Bros .60	4	8⅞	8⅝	8⅞	+ ⅛
Butte Cop & Z ¼g	4	3⅛	3⅛	3⅛	+ ⅛
Byers (AM) Co	17	13½	12⅞	13¼	— ⅛
Byron Jackson 1¼g	1	20¾	20¾	20¾	+ ⅛
Calif Pack (1½g)	4	24⅞	24¾	24¾	
Calif P pf 2½ †	50	55	54½	54½	— ½
Callahan Zinc Lead	1	¾	¾	¾	— ⅛
Calumet&Hec .85g	1	6¾	6¾	6¾	— ⅛
Campbell Wy 1¼g	3	15¼	15	15¼	
Can Dry G Ale .70a	56	21¼	21	21½	— ⅛
Can Sou Ry 3 †	40	33½	33⅜	33½	— ⅛
Canadian Pacific	23	8	7¾	8	+ ⅛
Cane C & O (5) †	110	95¼	95	95⅛	+ ⅛
Cane (JI) (new)	76	35½	33	35	+2¾
Caterpil Tractor 2	4	45	44½	45	+ ⅛
Celanese Corp (2)	8	35⅜	35¼	35¾	+ ⅛
Celanese 5 pf 5 †	20	102¾	102	102¾	+1½
Celanese 7 pf 7 †	10	113	113	113	+1¾
Celanese pr pf 7 †	10	124½	124½	124½	+1¾
Celotex Corp (1g)	2	11¾	11¾	11¾	
Celotex Cp pf 1 †	360	17¼	17	17	— ⅜
Cent Aguirre 1½g	10	20	19⅞	20	+ ⅛
Cent Foundry .10g	7	2⅜	2⅜	2⅜	
Cent RR N.	9	9¾	9	9½	+ ⅜
Cent V Sug (1g)	2	22⅜	22¼	22¼	— ⅛
Century Rib M	1	6¾	6¾	6¾	+ ⅛
Cerro de Pas (4)	1	36½	36½	36½	+ ⅜
Cert-teed 6 pf †	150	60¼	59¾	60¼	+ ½
Champ P & F (1)	3	19⅛	19	19⅛	+ ⅛
Charis P&F wh †	20	108	108	108	
Ches & Ohio (3a)	*21	45	44¼	44⅝	— ⅛
Chi & E Ill (½ag)	10	6½	5⅝	6½	+ ⅛
Chi&E Ill A 2.50g	2	11⅞	11⅜	11⅞	+ ⅜
Ch. Grt West	10	4¼	4	4¼	+ ⅛
Ch. Grt W pf 3¼ak	2	17½	17¼	17½	+ ¼
Chi Mail Ord .60g	2	16¾	16¾	16¾	
Chi Pneu Tool (2)	3	16½	16	16½	— ½
Chicksaw Cot Oil 1	2	15¾	15⅜	15¾	
Chiles Co	1	13⅜	13⅜	13⅜	
Chile Cop (3g) †	10	27	27	27	
Chrysler Corp (3)	32	81½	79⅝	80½	— ½
City Invest †	50	60	59¾	60	— ⅛
City Stores	1	6¾	6¾	6¾	— ⅛
Clark Equip (3g)	2	35¾	35¼	35¾	+1
Clev&Pitt 3½g †	120	92	91	92	— ⅛
Clev Graph Br (2)	4	40	39¾	40	+1⅛
Climax Mol 1.20a	10	35	34¼	35	+ ½
Clueti Peabody (2)	7	34¾	34¼	34½	— ⅛
Coca-Cola (3a)	3	114½	114¼	114¾	— ⅛
Colgate-Palm-P 1g	6	23⅞	23⅝	23⅞	
Colgate & Ab	3	24¼	24⅛	24⅜	+ ⅛
Col & Sou 4	10	11¼	11¼	11¼	
Col & Sou 1st	260	12⅜	11	11¾	+ ⅜
Col & Sou 2pf	80	11¼	11	11¼	+ ⅛
Colotex Corp (1g)	2	11¼	11⅛	11⅛	
Colotex Cp pf 1 †	360	17¼	17	17	— ⅜
Cont Aguirre 1½g	10	20	19⅞	20	+ ⅛
Cont Foundry .10g	7	2⅜	2⅜	2⅜	
Cont RR N.	9	9¾	9	9½	+ ⅜
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Charis P&F wh †	20	108	108	108	
Ches & Ohio (3a)	*21	45	44¼	44⅝	— ⅛
Chi & E Ill (½ag)	10	6½	5⅝	6½	+ ⅛
Chi&E Ill A 2.50g	2	11⅞	11⅜	11⅞	+ ⅜
Ch. Grt West	10	4¼	4	4¼	+ ⅛
Ch. Grt W pf 3¼ak	2	17½	17¼	17½	+ ¼
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Chicksaw Cot Oil 1	2	15¾	15⅜	15¾	
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Col & Sou 4	10	11¼	11¼	11¼	
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Col & Sou 2pf	80	11¼	11	11¼	+ ⅛

Today's sales (est.)	800,000
Previous day's sales	761,420
1943 volume to date	269,515,095
1942 volume to date	114,444,711

Stks./Divds (Dollars)	Sales (100s)	High	Low	Close	Net Ch'ge
Col Fuel & Iron (1)	5	15½	15½	15½	+ ¼
Col B'cast A 1.80g	1	24¾	24¼	24¾	+ ⅜
Col B'cast B 1.80g	2	24⅞	24⅞	24⅞	+ ⅜
Colum G&E .10g	74	4½	4¼	4¼	+ ⅛
Col G&E 6 pf 6	4	76¼	76	76¼	+ ¼
Comi Credit (3)	16	38¼	38	38	+ ¼
Comi Invest Tr (3)	16	42⅝	42	42¼	— ¼
Com Solvents .60g	93	15½	14⅞	14⅞	
Com'wlth & South	68	⅟₁₆	9⅛	4⅝	
Com & Sou pf 4½ak	6	79¾	79	79	
Com'wlth Ed 1.40	21	24½	24¼	24½	
Consol Cigar (2g)	6	22¾	21⅞	22⅜	+ ⅛
Cons Cop M .20g	4	3½	3½	3½	
Cons Edison 1.60	21	21⅞	21⅝	21⅞	+ ⅛
Cons Edison pf (5)	3	102½	102¼	102½	
Consol Film Ind	5	2⅝	2⅝	2⅝	+ ⅛
Cons Film In pf 1k	6	16¾	16¼	16¾	+ ⅛
Con Nat Gas w d	54	26⅜	25¾	25⅞	— ⅛
Cons Laundries ¼g	2	6¾	6½	6¾	— ⅛
Cons Vultee 1½bg	5	10⅞	10⅞	10⅞	— ⅛
Cons Vultee pf 1¾k	3	18¾	18½	18¾	+ ⅛
Consol's Coal	6	15	15	15	+ ½
Consol Coal pf 2½g	1	46¾	46¾	46¾	+ ⅛
Consum P pf 4½g †	20	102¼	101¾	101¾	— ⅛
Container Cp 1¾bg	3	19⅜	19⅛	19⅜	+ ⅛
Cont Baking ⅓ge	11	8¼	8	8	— ⅛
Cont Baking pf (8)	1	106	106	106	—1
Cont Can 1	9	35¾	35¼	35¾	+ ⅛
Cont Diam F .85g	4	11¾	11¾	11¾	+ ⅛
Cont Ins (1.60a†	3	45¾	45⅜	45⅜	— ⅛
Cont Motors .60	16	4⅞	4¾	4⅞	+ ⅛
Cont Oil Del (1)	13	31½	31⅜	31½	
CopperweldStl .80	1	10¾	10¾	10¾	+ ⅛
Corn Exch 2.40 †	80	45½	45¼	45½	+ ⅛
Corn Prod (2.60)	11	54¾	54	54	— ⅜
Corn Prod pf 7 †	20	175	175	175	
Cornell-D El 1.10g	6	15⅞	15½	15½	— ⅛
Coty Inc (.30g)	2	4¾	4½	4¾	+ ⅛
Coty International	2	1¾	1⅝	1¾	
Crane Co (1g)	14	19	18¾	19	+ ⅛
Crown Cork (¾g)	5	28½	27½	28½	+1
Crown Zeller (1)	4	15⅞	15¾	15⅞	+ ½
Crown Zell pf 5 †	50	57	57	57	+1
Crucible Steel (3g)	13	28	27⅝	28	+ ½
Cuban-AmSug .40e	11	11¾	11½	11⅝	+ ⅛
Cub-Am S pf 7 †	30	115½	114	115	+ ½
Cudahy Packing	1	23¼	23¼	23¼	+ ½
Cuneo Pr pf 4½g †	90	105	105	105	+ ⅞
Curtis Publishing	67	6⅛	5⅝	6⅛	+ ⅛
Curtis Pub pf 5k †	180	100	97	100	+6½
Curt Pub pr pf 3	3	43½	42½	42½	— ½
Curtis-Wright ¾g	45	5⅜	5¼	5½	
Curtiss-Wr A (2)	35	15½	15⅛	15½	+ ⅛
Cutler-Ham 1¼g	2	20⅞	20¾	20⅞	+ ½
Davison Chem (1g)	2	13½	13¼	13½	+ ⅛
Decca Records (1a)	3	22½	22⅜	22⅜	— ⅛
Deere & Co 2g	20	35¾	39	39	
Deere & Co pf 1.40	3	33¾	33½	33½	
Del & Hudson	14	15¾	14⅝	15¾	+ ⅛
Del Lack & West	36	5⅞	5¾	5⅞	+ ½
Detroit Edi 1.20	23	18¾	18¼	18¾	+ ½
Devoe & Ray (1a)	1	28¼	28¼	28¼	+ ¼
Diam T Mot 1¼3g	3	13½	12⅝	13½	+ ½
Dist Corp-S h2.22	96	34⅜	33	33½	+ ½
Dist Corp-S pf(5)	2	⅟₉	⅟₉	⅟₉	
Dixie C A 2½ †	60	43¼	43¼	43¼	
DomeMines h1.60	1	23¾	23¾	23¾	— ⅛
Douglas Aircraft 5g	13	48	47¾	48	+ ⅛
Dow Chem (3)	2	128	127½	127½	+ ⅛
Dresser Mfg (2g)	3	28	28	28	+ ⅛
Dunhill Int	29	10½	10	10	— ⅛
du Pont de N 4¼g	7	142¼	141½	141½	—1¾
Eagle P Lead .60g	8	11¾	11¼	11¾	+ ⅜
Eastern Air L	7	37	36½	36½	
Eastman Kodak 5	2	159	159	159	
Eaton Mfg (3)	1	40¾	40¾	40¾	
El & Mus Ind .06g	5	3¾	3¼	3¼	— ⅛
El Auto Lite (2)	7	37¾	37½	37½	+ ⅛
Elec Boat 1¼g	7	5¾	5¼	9¾	+ ⅛
El Power & Lt	6	4¼	4¼	4¼	+ ⅛
El Pr&Lt $6 pf	1	65	65	65	+1
El Pr&Lt $7 pf	4	88½	88	88½	+1¼
El Storage Bat (2)	2	40½	39½	40¼	+ ¼
Endicott-J pf 5 †	160	109	108½	108½	
Eng Pub Service	29	6⅜	8	8¼	+ ⅛
EnPSS5¼pf5¼ †	50	89¼	89¼	89¼	+ ¼
Erie RR (1g)	4	10¼	9½	10¼	+ ¾
Erie RR ct (1g)	65	⅞	5¼	⅟₁₆	+ ⅛
Erie RR pf A (5)	1	45½	45½	45½	+ ½
Eureka Vac Cl 3⅛g	1		7	7	
Evans Products	4	10½	10⅛	10½	+ ⅛
Ex Cell-O (2.60)	3	21⅛	21	21	— ⅛
Fairbanks Morse 1a	5	33	32½	32½	— ¼
Fajardo Sugar (2)	6	22⅝	22⅜	22⅜	— ⅛
Farns Tel & Rad	13	9½	9¼	9½	
Fedl&Traction 1g	1	14	14	14	— ½
Fed Min&Sm 3½gg	3	18⅜	18½	18⅜	— ⅛
Fed Mogul (1)	2	17¾	17¾	17¾	
Fed M Truck .40	3	4¾	4⅝	4⅝	— ⅛
Feder'd D St 1.52g	3	22½	22¼	22¼	
Ferro Enam (½ag)	4	16¾	16½	16⅜	+ ⅜
Firestone T&R (2g)	3	39½	39¼	39¼	— ¼
First Nat Strs 2½a	2	35	34⅞	34⅞	— ⅛
Flintkote (.90g)	5	19⅜	19¼	19¼	+ ⅛
Florence Stov 1½ag	1	14¼	14¼	14¼	
Florsh Sh A 2	*1	24½	24½	24½	
Fonarebee Stl	1	5⅞	5⅞	5⅞	— ⅛
Food Fair Strs (1)	1	12¾	12¾	12¾	— ⅛
Food Mach (1¾ag)	1	51	51	51	
Foster Wheeler	2	15¾	15¾	15¾	+ ⅛
Francisco Sugar	5	14½	14¼	14¼	— ⅛
Freeport Sulph (2)	5	30⅞	30⅝	30¾	
Fruehauf Tra 1.40a	3	28¼	28	28	—1
Gair (Robert) .30g	21	2⅞	2¾	2¾	— ⅛
Gair (R) pf 1.20	1	12½	12½	12½	+ ¼
Gar Wood Ind .45g	10	4¾	4¼	4¼	— ⅛
Gen Am Inv	3	11	10¾	11	
Gen Am Trans 2½g	5	42	41¼	42	+1¼
Gen Baking .60	3	⅝	7½	7⅝	+ ⅛
Gen Baking pf 8 †	40	141	141	141	—2
Gen Cab pf 7k	†110	81	81	81	+ ½
Gen Cable	9	4½	4¾	4¾	— ⅛
Gen Elec(1.40)	36	37	36½	37	+ ⅛
Gen Foods (1.60)	15	43⅛	42¾	42⅞	+ ⅛
Gen Fds pf4½g †	10	116	116	116	
Gen G & El A	6	2⅜	2⅜	2⅜	
Gen Mills (4)	2	105	105	105	+3
Gen Motors (2)	31	50¾	50½	50¾	
Gen Motors pf (5)	2	128½	128½	128½	
Gen Out Advert	4	5	5	5	+ ⅛
Gen Prec Eq (1)	1	19¾	19¾	19¾	+ ⅛
Gen Print Pr .40	5	6¼	6¼	6½	— ⅛
Gen Prob Service	2	1½	1⅜	1½	+ ⅛
Gen Ry Sig 1¼ag	10	21½	20	21½	+1
Gen Rest&Util	1	1½	1½	1⅝	+ ⅛
Gen Refract 1.20	12	22¼	21½	22¼	+ ⅛
Gen Shoe (1)	1	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞	+ ⅛
Gen Sti C pf 6k †	260	85¾	85¼	85¾	— ¼
Gen Tire & R (1g)	7	20⅝	20	20⅝	+1⅛
Gillette Saf R .70g	4	7½	7⅜	7⅜	— ⅛
Gimbel Bros .45g	15	11⅞	11¾	11½	— ⅛
Gimbel Br $6 pf 6	1	82¾	82¾	82¾	— ⅛
Glidden-Co (1.20g)	10	18¼	18	18	
Gobel (Adolf)	12	1¼	1⅛	1¼	
Goebel Brew (.20)	1	2⅞	2⅞	2⅞	+ ⅛
Goodrich (BF) 2g	11	41¾	41¾	41¾	+ ⅜
Goodyear T&R (2)	7	37⅜	37	37⅜	+ ⅜
Goodyear T&R pf 5	1	103⅞	103⅞	103⅞	+ ⅛
Goth Hosiery (¼ag)	4	7¾	7⅝	7¾	— ⅛
Graham-Paige Mot	3	1¼	1⅛	1⅛	
Granby Con M .45g	11	3⅞	3¾	3¾	— ⅛
Grand Union ⅓g	1	15¼	15¼	15¼	— ¼
Granite C S .52½g	1	5¾	7¾	¾	+ ⅛
Grant (WT) 1.40	35	33½	33½	33½	+ ⅜
Gt Nor Ir Ore ct 2g	4	14¼	14⅛	14¼	+ ⅛
Gt Nor Ry pf (2g)	32	25¾	24⅞	25½	+ ⅛
Gt West Sug 2	10	23¾	23¾	23¾	+ ⅜
Gt West S pf 7 †	10	151½	151½	151½	
Green (H L) (2a)	2	47¾	47¾	47¾	+ ½
Greyhound Corp 1a	7	20¼	20	20½	+ ¼
Grum Airc Eq 1½g	2	11½	10⅞	10⅞	— ½
Guantan Sugar	3	4¼	4¼	4¼	
Gulf Mob & Ohio	21	6¼	5¾	6¼	+ ⅛
Gulf Mob&O pf2½g	7	32½	32	32½	+ ½
Gulf Oil (1a)	20	45¾	45½	45¾	+ ¼

News and Comment About Business, Economics and Finance

S. O. of Calif. Shows Gain In Quarter Net

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Standard Oil of California reported an estimated consolidated net profit for the third quarter of $10,682,992, or 84 cents a share. This compared with a net of $8,131,036 or 63 cents a share, in the 1942 quarter.

The estimated nine months' earnings were $26,019,625, or $2 a share, against $21,455,073 or $1.65 a share in the nine months of 1942.

Western Union Telegraph Co. reports net profit for the first 10 months of 1943 of $5,696,268 after all charges, compared with $7,457,501 in the similar period last year. The report for this year includes operations of Postal Telegraph, Inc., from Oct. 8, the date of its actual merger with Western Union, the company said.

International Telephone and Telegraph Co. reported consolidated net income for the nine months ended Sept. 30 of $3,294,832, compared with $970,957 for the comparable 1942 period. The company said that its report does not cover operations of its European and Far East subsidiaries and the American Cable and Radio Corp. system.

Kearney & Trecker Corp. reported net profit for the year ended Sept. 30 of $2,192,214, equal to $5.53 a share, compared with $3,316,704, or $8.37 a share, the year before.

A. O. Smith Corp. and subsidiaries reported net earnings for the quarter ended Oct. 31 of $1,229,178, equal to $2.46 a share, compared with a revised net profit of $1,143,243, or $2.84, for the 1942 period.

Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates reported net profit for the 12 months ended Nov. 30 of $2,830,287, equal to $4.60 a share on 6 per cent preferred stock, compared with $3,007,417, or $5.07, for the preceding year.

Farnsworth Television & Radio Corporation reports a balance before Federal taxes and other reserves for the six months ended Oct. 31 of $4,577,845, and net profit after reserves for estimated Federal taxes and possible renegotiation and for postwar reconversion to civilian production of $513,814. This compares with a balance before taxes of $3,013,405 and net profit after taxes of $779,022 for the six months to Oct. 31, 1942, when there was a substantial carry-over tax credit applicable in 1942 a situation that did not exist in 1943. The 1942 net profit was also before any reserve for renegotiation.

West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company and subsidiaries earned consolidated net income of $2,610,496 for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31, 1943, after provision for estimated Federal income and excess profits taxes of $4,900,000, according to the annual report sent to stockholders by Thomas Luke, president. After preferred dividend requirements, net earnings were equivalent to approximately $1.86 per common share. For the preceding fiscal year, consolidated net earnings of $2,789,248 were equivalent to $2.05 per common share. Net sales for the year ended Oct. 31, 1943, were $53,715,051, compared with $52,814,029 the preceding fiscal year.

G. M. Sees Speedy Postwar Car Output, If Planning Allowed

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP)—General Motors Corp., if permitted to plan ahead to a peacetime production, can be producing motor cars within three months after the close of the war and can be in volume production within six months, C. E. Wilson, president, told 400 Pontiac businessmen at a luncheon here.

Prospects for employment in the immediate postwar period depend upon the Government's policy toward advance planning for industries reconversion, Mr. Wilson said.

Stating that the corporation was prepared to spend between $400,000,000 and $500,000,000 for retooling and plant conversion to peacetime production, Mr. Wilson said $50,000,000 of this could be spent before the close of the war if the Government would permit and when military necessity makes it possible.

Key Industry Stock Prices Off in Japan

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

WASHINGTON—The prices of stock in seven key Japanese industries declined last week, according to a dispatch by the Japanese Domei agency directed to Japanese-controlled newspapers in Asia and reported to the Office of War Information.

The Domei dispatch noted that the fall of stock prices in three of the seven industries—mining, machine tool and chemicals—was "conspicuous."

The other industries affected were the transportation, manufacturing, electrical power and gas production, Domei said.

N. E. Power Reports Gain In Available Electricity

By the Associated Press

An increase of 6.67 per cent in the number of kilowatt hours available for New England Power Association territory was recorded for the week ended Dec. 11, 1943, as compared with the week ended Dec. 12, 1942, the association announced.

For the week ended Dec. 11, 1943, 66,275,930 kilowatt hours were available, while for the corresponding week of 1942, 62,132,620 kilowatt hours were available, the company said.

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Industrial Uses Ever Widening For 'Magical' Electronic Tube

(Last of three articles on electric and electronic equipment)

By Harold Fleming

Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

NEW YORK—The commercial story about electronics is, at the present moment, a rather amusing one.

Electrons have been known for some forty years and electronic tubes have been in use for at least twenty years. Needless to say there have been constant improvements and new developments. But the average householder has had electronic tubes in his own living room for at least ten years—in his radio. He just didn't know they were electronic. They also had a growing pre-war use in industry, particularly for rectifying alternating current to direct.

The New Aladdin's Lamp

But the word "electronics" has come into only recent use, and has suddenly attained immense popularity. The public has come just in recent months to have enormously fancy ideas about what electronics can do in the postwar world, from opening garage and kitchen doors to frying eggs in the flat of the hand.

And industrial managements have been developing equally big ideas of what electronics will do.

In large part the public's fancy ideas are true. Electronics is almost miraculous. It is the Aladdin's lamp, the abracadabra, and the open sesame of future engineering. Electronic tubes can see (through the phototube), hear (through the microphone), feel (through the thermocouple), and in general respond to nearly everything to which engineers can apply recording instruments; and the tubes can then transmit what they see, hear, feel or smell, into mechanical or electrical action with a faithfulness, speed, and tirelessness impossible to human beings.

But the electronic engineers are now worried lest both the public and American industrial managements may be expecting too much and too soon from electronics.

They are not so sure that all the "magical" things attributed to electronic tubes are so important—or so economical.

For instance, by an expensive electronic installation a housewife in the third-floor-front could turn a switch when the doorbell rings, and get a televised close-up of the caller. But, as Bruce Bliven said in the New Republic recently, "A bay window overlooking the door is just as efficient and has been used since time immemorial for this purpose."

How the Tubes Work

Or to cite an instance of industrial application. Modern hot-strip steel mills use a "flying shear" to cut the hot metal on the fly as it comes at high speed from the rolls. The speed of this flying shear is controlled by an electronic speed regulator. But while the tubes for this certainly cost less than $50, the whole electrical equipment which they entail may cost as much as $50,000. The figures may not be exact but they illustrate the point.

Plant managers, the electronics engineers fear, may get the habit of thinking that a simple little electronic tube will solve almost any production problem that pops up.

And they fear that many expensive installations will be made on this assumption, involving many times the cost of the tube, only to sour the owner and so to spoil future sales where installations might be of more value. They are in the mood to say, for instance, "Yes, certainly, with electronic tubes you can get a wonderful effect in dimming the lights in a theatre—but you can do a pretty nice job with mechanical equipment also and look at the saving compared with tubes."

The problem particularly involves industrial installations rather than private, because, despite the general public impression, the first wave of post-war electronic installations will probably be in industry rather than in private homes or cars. Producers are more radical than consumers; technical innovations are likely to come faster in factories than in factory products; and home-builders in particular are traditionally conservative.

Magic of Electronics

The joke—if there is a joke—is that in a sense the electronic engineers have brought their problem on themselves. It was they who let the genii out of the jar, said "go" to the advertising copy writers, and so set the public and industrial managements agog about the magic of electronics.

But in another sense they can hardly be blamed. Public interest is like that anyway. New subjects swim into its ken not gradually nor evenly, but by spurts. They become subjects of sudden general interest, then of over-enthusiasm, and finally they find their proper place.

In point of fact, it is in the electrical equipment industry, and particularly in the making of radio equipment, that electronic tubes will still find their major use. These tubes have long been the heart and soul of radio broadcasting and receiving, including AM, FM, and television. They are becoming more and more essential also to electric power operations.

An estimated tenth of all the power now generated in this country already goes through electronic tubes. The major rectifying tubes—kenetron, phanotron, ignitron, and thyratron—are already far and wide replacing the older rotating equipment for converting alternating to direct current.

As the train pulled out of Schenectady, carrying this correspondent back to New York, the porter came through sweeping up a few handfuls of what looked like dust. "Just some stray electrons," he said. "That always happens when we go past the General Electric buildings."

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Officials Hear Objections To Lumber Prices

WASHINGTON (AP)—Concern over a mounting shortage of lumber prompted a meeting Thursday of northeastern producers, members of Congress, and officials of the War Production Board (WPB) and Office of Price Administration (OPA).

The agencies were invited to hear protests of northeastern producers that ceiling prices were out of line on their types of lumber, thus cutting down the timber operations in New England, New York, and Pennsylvania, and that materials needed by the industry were not being released by WPB.

The meeting, called by Senators Ralph Brewster (R) of Maine and James Mead (D) of New York, was attended by 10 lumber executives, a score of representatives of WPB, OPA, the Army, Navy, the Senate Truman Committee, U. S. Forest Service, and Selective Service system.

Senator Brewster said there was testimony that hard wood production had been reduced as much as 50 per cent by some operators and soft wood 30 per cent, due in large part to "failure of OPA to adjust price levels to compensate for increased costs of production."

WPB Concern

The War Production Board was represented at the meeting as being seriously concerned over production of northeastern lumber and Senator Brewster said "unless prompt action is taken by the OPA to correct some of the inequalities in the price structure on northeastern lumber a further serious reduction in production is prophesied."

"The prices set for graded hard wood lumber of the northeast have for some time been seriously out of line with prices existing for like species and grades in other regions in the north," he said in a statement.

Price Rise Discounted

Increased costs have largely discounted the price increases recently granted in northeastern pine lumber, it was testified. This affects box and crating lumber required "in tremendous quantities by war industry," Senator Brewster said.

"It was pointed out that substantial percentage of the production in northeastern mills is by producers operating small mills," his statement said. "The impact of inadequate prices has affected the ability of the small producer to continue in business to the extent that a substantial percentage of northeastern production will be discontinued, it was stated. Prompt action on the part of OPA was indicated."

The lumber company representatives included:

C. H. Elliott, Elliott Hardwood Company; Owen Johnson, Johnson Lumber Co., Manchester, N. H.; W. Clyde Sykes, Emporium Forestry Co., Conifer, N. Y.; L. S. Crane, Machias, Maine; Rand N. Stowell, Timberlands, Inc., Dixfield, Maine; George P. Lamb, Borah, Forster, Dixfield, Maine; Sherman Adams, Parker Young Co., Lincoln, N. H.; and R. E. Broderick, Northeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association, New York.

Telechron Head

I. W. Kokins

Elected president of the Warren Telechron Company, Ashland, Mass., succeeding Henry E. Warren, inventor and founder of the company, who has passed the retirement age. Mr. Kokins, associated with Telechron since 1926, has been vice-president and a director since 1935. The company, manufacturers of electric clocks in peacetime, is now entirely engaged in war work.

Vt. Utility Head Explains Rejection Of Underwriters' Bid

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Albert A. Cree of Rutland, Vt., president of Central Vermont Public Service Corporation, outlined for the Securities and Exchange Commission the events leading to his firm's rejection of a $2,583,750 bid by Harriman, Ripley & Co. and the First Boston Corporation on the issuance of 195,000 shares of common stock.

Mr. Cree said that the $13.25 per share bid, the only one submitted under SEC required competitive bidding, "would not produce sufficient cash for us to carry out the program laid out by us and presented to the various commissions."

The underwriters had proposed to offer the Central Vermont stock to the public at $14.25, Mr. Cree revealed.

He appeared at a hearing to consider Central Vermont's privately negotiated sale to a group of underwriters headed by Coffin & Burr, Inc., of 178,000 shares at $14.92 a share, aggregating $2,655,760. The stock would be offered to the public at $16.

The additional $320,301 offered by Coffin & Burr's group is necessary, Mr. Cree said, to approach the $2,973,750 sum required to make good Central Vermont's part in a merger agreement with Twin State Gas & Electric Company, another subsidiary of New England Public Service Company.

Under the new plan Coffin & Burr would purchase 178,000 shares from Central Vermont and 16,295 from Nepsco, which would contribute the proceeds to Central Vermont. The remaining 2,954 shares would be sold to Nepsco at the public offering price in accordance with the merger agreement.

War Spending Hits New High in Nov. Of $7,794,000,000

WASHINGTON (AP) — War spending hit a new top o. $7,794,000,000 in November, the War Production Board reported, an increase of nearly 10 per cent over October outlays.

The average daily expenditure was $299,800,000, based on the 26 days of the month on which the Treasury cleared checks.

November's record spending brought the total for war purposes to $146,000,000,000 since the start of the defense program on July 1, 1940. Fifty-three per cent of the total, or $78,000,000,000, was spent in 1943 alone.

The figures cover checks cleared by the Treasury and payable from war appropriations, together with war outlays by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and its subsidiaries.

New Firestone Stock Issue Approved

AKRON, Ohio (AP)—Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. common stockholders at a special meeting approved a by-laws amendment to provide for a $60,000,000 issue of new preferred, and for redemption of the present $45,000,000 of 6 per cent preferred Chairman John W. Thomas said Firestone would sell the new issue under suitable market conditions, at a dividend rate not exceeding 4½ per cent.

Common stockholders also approved changing the par value of their stock to $25 from the present $10, Mr. Thomas added.

B. & A. Issue Hearing

By the Associated Press

The Massachusetts State Department of Public Utilities announced a public hearing Monday, Dec. 27, on a petition of the Boston & Albany Railroad for approval of an issue of $7,782,000 in bonds to reimburse the New York Central Railroad for advances to build permanent additions to the B. & A. plant.

Br. Columbia Protests Coal Price Policy

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

VANCOUVER—British Columbia business interests are complaining that the West Coast is being discriminated against in the new coal price policy announced by the Federal Government.

They claim that while eastern Canadian consumers will not have to pay higher prices for coal because imports from the United States are subsidized, the Government has refused to pay the increased miners' wages in British Columbia and Alberta by subsidy.

British Columbians who have to pay more for their coal will pay their share of taxes to prevent an increase for the eastern consumer, the West Coast people argue.

According to one explanation, the Government contends that in the West the chief consumers of coal are industries and railways and that the individual consumer will not be unduly affected, whereas in the East coal is more generally distributed. The Ottawa authorities are also said to favor passing along the higher price to consumers so as to demonstrate the effect of wage increases.

Westerners disagree with these arguments because industry and the railroads are only two of many consuming factors and they fail to see why the experiment in wage boost effect should be tried out on only one section of Canada.

The coal price situation is being interpreted here as one more adverse result of a centralized administration that is apparently out of touch with conditions on the Pacific Coast.

The same objection has been voiced many times in the recent past. Only a few weeks ago H. R. MacMillan, president of B. C. Packers, Ltd., in his annual report to shareholders, objected to the ill effects of remote control on the fishing industry. While British Columbia fisheries account for more than half Canada's total production it is regulated by officials in Ottawa.

Carloadings Decline 4.6 P. C. in Week; 10.6 P. C. Above '42

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Association of American Railroads reported that 823,211 cars of revenue freight were loaded during the week ended Dec. 11.

This was a decrease of 39,548 cars, or 4.6 per cent, compared with the preceding week; an increase of 79,028 cars, or 10.6 per cent, compared with the corresponding week a year ago, and an increase of 15,986 cars, or 2 per cent, compared with two years ago.

The report classified the loadings, compared with previous week and the corresponding week a year ago, as follows:

	Last Wk	—Incr. Over— Prec Wk	Yr Ago
Misc. freight	379,781	*13,182	21,383
Less-than-carlot Merchandise	104,062	*1,938	13,315
Coal	189,146	3,302	22,919
Grain & Grain Prod.	53,426	*2,925	6,180
Livestock	18,566	*1,184	854
Forest Products	46,165	*878	7,975
Ore	17,439	*23,304	3,239
Coke	15,716	561	1,163

*Decrease.

Treasury Asks Bids On $1,000,000,000 Of 91-Day Bills

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Treasury has invited tenders for $1,000,000,000 of 91-day Treasury bills, to be issued on a discount basis under competitive and fixed price bidding.

The bills of this series, the Treasury said, will be dated Dec. 23, 1943, and will mature March 23, 1944, when the face amount will be payable without interest.

Tenders will be received at Federal Reserve banks and branches until 2 p. m. (Eastern War Time), Monday, Dec. 20. Tenders will not be received at the Treasury here.

Cotton Consumption Off

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Census Bureau reported that cotton consumed during November totaled 858,813 bales of lint and 109,987 bales of linters, compared with 912,920 bales of lint and 113,430 of lints in November last year.

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Fashions, Interior Decoration
Wednesday

Garden Club Members Instruct Veterans At Naval Hospital in Winter Gardening

By Alice Myers
Assistant Woman's Editor of The Christian Science Monitor

Leathernecks and Navy men at the Chelsea Naval Hospital in Chelsea, Mass., are growing flowers this winter. Not in a hothouse, but in a pit garden.

From brass hats to gobs, they are learning to distinguish between primula and schizanthus, camellia and azalea. In fact, they have taken to gardening with relish, even the sailor who bit into a narcissus bulb to see if it was an onion. Apparently there is nothing patients who are able to be out would rather be assigned to than "pit detail."

"The pit" where all this horticultural activity goes on is Mrs. Lucien B. Taylor's answer to all-year-round gardening in northern climes. Long active in the Massachusetts Garden Club Federation, Mrs. Taylor is now serving as Horticultural Adviser to the Garden Clubs Service Committee of Massachusetts, which was recently organized to co-ordinate the war work of both federated and non-federated clubs. She also teaches gardening at the Boston School of Occupational Therapy.

Dug down below the frost line, well insulated on the north side, and heated only by the rays of the sun coming through a sloping glass roof on the south side, the pit is a kind of greenhouse that doesn't cost a cent to run once it is installed. It's barely a month now since Mrs. Taylor began experimenting with such a garden at Chelsea. But if the men's enthusiasm has anything to do with it, Chelsea won't long be the only hospital in the State to have one. Even the captain has taken such an interest in it that he covered up the glass one night and uncovered it again in the morning when the men were away on liberty.

The sergeant who heads the detail now in charge of the garden is the sole member of his squad not killed or seriously wounded and he frankly says this is the only kind of work he could stand at present. He calls it "a peach of a detail." Though he never tended any plants before, he can expatiate knowingly on the habits and virtues of primroses, violets, stock, hyacinths, and other inhabitants of the pit. What's more he can point out which is which!

One Marine, who has just been discharged, is going home to build one for himself. And another sergeant who has never had a home of his own has become so enamored of plants that he now wants a place "with bushes around the edge." They all urge Mrs. Taylor to be sure and tell her friends how well the pit is being taken care of by complete greenhorns. She herself generally spends one day a week supervising their work.

"You and my mother'd get on fine" is a comment she never tires of hearing from the men. To her it symbolizes the benefit they derive from this personal kind of work on the part of Garden Club members. Mrs. Taylor would like to see many more growing plants in the wards of Army and Navy hospitals throughout the country.

A single narcissus, jonquil, or daffodil to touch and smell and watch unfold is of incalculable benefit to the individual patient, she says. Especially to those who may not be able to enjoy the beautiful flower arrangements so often provided for the sunrooms and recreation rooms. Patients become doubly interested when they discover their buddies have raised the blooms, as they are now doing in the pit at Chelsea.

The great advantage of a pit garden, besides the pleasure it gives the men who work in it, is that it can supply both cut flowers and bulbs to the hospital at practically no cost, once the pit is built. Construction costs at Chelsea were paid by a generous member of the board of the Massachusetts Garden Club Federation, while another member stocked it with plants by way of a starter. Mrs. Taylor expects it to be self-supporting in the not-too-distant future.

How Mrs. Taylor happened on the idea of pit gardening and how you, too, can construct such a garden if you're interested is told in detail in a book called "Winter Flowers in the Sun-Heated Pit," which she and a fellow pit enthusiast wrote shortly before Pearl Harbor.

Little did she think then that she would be initiating convalescent seamen into the joys of her hobby. Nor did she have any inkling of the critical food situation soon to face her countrymen. If she had, she would have written much more about the possibilities of growing vegetables in a sun-heated pit.

She and the friends who followed her example are now enjoying such home-grown fresh delicacies as lettuce, beets, carrots, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, and celery—despite howling winds and near-zero temperatures. And if her pit at home produces for the table as well as she expects it to this winter, Mrs. Taylor can look forward to a summer relatively free from canning. Who wouldn't prefer fresh to even home-canned vegetables?

By a Staff Photographer

In the pit garden (above) Mrs. Lucien B. Taylor, assisted by F 1/c Sam R. DiDomizio of Chester, Pa., is loosening the soil around some primroses. At the right, S 1/c Robert W. Berkeley of Lynn, Mass., is working with a tall camellia plant. Along the bench beside it are begonias brought from the wards to recuperate in the fresh air of the pit—another use for the pit. Outside of the pit (left) Seaman Berkeley is shown coming up from the garden, while Fireman DiDomizio prepares to roll down and across the glass the insulating material which keeps the heat in at night. The pit is at Chelsea Naval Hospital.

Long Service Still Stands In China

By Barbara E. Scott Fisher
Staff Correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

Dr. Alice Barlow Brown is one of the few repatriates who returned on the diplomatic exchange liner Gripsholm with the satisfaction of knowing that the work she established in China remains a flourishing and going concern.

On the outskirts of Peking, in a rather shabby looking building behind a high compound wall stands the Haitien Maternity Center. It holds a record of 1,000 baby cases where mothers and babies were cared for without a single loss. Among poor country women of China, for whom this center was established by Dr. Brown, this is indeed a record.

Chinese in Charge

While the outside of the center looks somewhat shabby, inside it has modern equipment. Dr. Brown left in charge nurses whom she trained to carry on the work. And before she left China she learned through the Swiss Consul that they had enough food, enough money, and plenty of work—and that she need not worry.

Tall, spare, with the dignity of high purpose and achievement, Dr. Brown, who had been in China 20 years, doesn't look as if she need be warned against worry. Most of her time has been spent as an independent worker, caring for others. She ended her 3½-month journey from a Japanese concentration camp in Wei Hsien, Shantung, making a brief stop in New York, on her way to Hope, Arkansas, where she expects to reside with her brother.

Service to her fellowman has given Dr. Brown a wide experience. Two years were spent in France during the last war, and three in Serbia, where she carried on with postwar rehabilitation work. While there, she was asked to go to China to relieve a woman doctor who needed furlough, so she went out under the American Church Mission at Wuchang.

From Her Own Funds

"But," said Dr. Brown with a reminiscent smile, "I'm afraid I have always been a little independent, and when I found how much the Chinese country women needed help, I planned to find a way to help them. I had a very small income—about $50 gold a month, but with the exchange in my favor, I started my clinic. In the beginning we had so very little. Gradually we grew. Now we have all necessary equipment. The house was poor, and we left it so, as then the Japanese did not bother us. They took my own house at once, and occupied it. I have given the clinic to the village, and it carries on under the auspices of the Haitien Christian Church."

Shortly before being sent to the concentration camp, where she spent six months but was well treated, Dr. Brown was given a party by her friends. At the appointed time more than 200 guests came from far and near to the celebration—one whole bus-load all the way from Peking. The village people made their gift the mending of the compound wall, for which they made contributions from a few coppers to $7. "We all had such a wonderful time. So much appreciation was expressed, I shall never forget it," she said.

Look to America

"I was glad to hear there had been a change of heart on the part of the Americans toward the Chinese after Mme. Chiang's visit. It heartens all Chinese to know that Americans are back of them," she added. "You can't imagine how it feels to be militarized, to be constantly under surveillance, never free. I am glad all that remains to symbolize my bondage is this little badge with my number on it. I feel deeply for those who are left behind, and particularly for those Chinese village women who used to support themselves doing cross-stitch. They are now practically starving, with no work, and cornmeal at $2 a pound when it used to be a few coppers. What they get is mostly ground-up peanut shells."

"We noted the Japanese restricted us more after the first group of Americans had been repatriated, so we want to be careful to protect those left behind as much as we can. Like many others, I would like to return to China when the war is won."

All Canned 'Kraut' for Army But Civilians Can Make It

By Ruth Miller
Written for The Christian Science Monitor

If you're a sauerkraut devotee, better get some crocks and cabbage and make your own! Homemade sauerkraut will be a special treat this year because it will be a while before grocery stores have any for sale to civilians. Later, when the civilian supply comes on the market, it will be in kegs as it was last year, and it will be rationfree.

Canned kraut for civilians is like the little man "who wasn't there." All kraut in cans will go to boys in uniform, and the War Food Administration has frozen all kraut in the hands of packers until they have supplied the three and a half million cases needed for military use.

But—if you like sauerkraut, and these crisp days are stirring memories of a steaming dish of kraut flanked with succulent spareribs and puffy dumplings—here's how to make your own, according to directions from the United States Department of Agriculture.

To Make Sauerkraut

Either cabbage or rutabagas may be "krauted." Rutabagas prepared this way are called sauer ruben but taste like sauerkraut. For krauting, use only fresh, sound vegetables. Remove outside leaves of cabbage, cut in quarters and remove cores. Wash rutabagas and trim off tops. Shred vegetables with a sharp knife or cutter, then weigh them. Allow one-fourth pound of pure granulated salt (a scant half cup) to each 10 pounds of vegetables. Mix salt and vegetable evenly and pack in clean, sound crocks. Cover with several layers of white cheesecloth tucked down over the vegetable inside the crock, then with a plate a little smaller than the inside of crock, and finally a stone about the size of a brick to weigh down plate and vegetables. Store at a temperature of 70 to 75° F.

The salt soon draws the juice from the vegetable to form enough brine to come up over the plate. As a white scum forms on top of the brine, remove it by lifting off weight, plate and cheesecloth carefully, then washing and replacing them. In two or three weeks when bubbling stops, fermentation is finished and the kraut ready to cook and eat at once or to pack in glass jars and can by processing in a hot water bath 25 to 30 minutes.

And when your homemade kraut is all ready to eat, here are some ways to serve it.

Sauerkraut and Spareribs

3 pounds spareribs, cut in pieces
½ teaspoon salt
Boiling water
4 cups sauerkraut, drained.

Wipe spareribs, put in large kettle, add salt, cover with boiling water and simmer, covered, ½ hour. Add sauerkraut, bring to a boil and cook, uncovered, ½ hour. Drain slightly and serve on a hot platter. Serves 6.

Variations: Cook potatoes with the sauerkraut and meat. Or serve with dumplings.

Use 2½ cups sauerkraut, add 1 cup canned unsweetened pineapple juice and ½ teaspoon salt. Put all ingredients in a covered pan. Add boiling water to cover. Cover and simmer 30 minutes. Drain and serve with spareribs.

Sauerkraut with Spaghetti

2 cups spaghetti cooked with tomato sauce
2 cups sauerkraut
6 slices bacon

Put alternate layers of spaghetti and sauerkraut in a greased baking dish; cut bacon slices in half and place on top. Bake about 30 minutes in a moderate oven (350° F.) until bacon is crisp. Serves 6.

Sauerkraut and Apples

2 cups sauerkraut
¼ cup fat
¼ cup water
3 apples, peeled and quartered
1 medium onion, sliced
½ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon sugar
½ teaspoon caraway seeds
2 small potatoes, diced very finely

Cook sauerkraut, fat, water, apples and onion until tender. Add salt, sugar, caraway seeds and potatoes and cook until potatoes are tender. Serves 6.

Spicy Sauerkraut

1 pound sauerkraut
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon caraway seed
Few grains black pepper

Drain kraut. Cover with boiling water. Cook 35 minutes. Drain and season.

Sauerkraut Salad

To drained, well-chilled kraut, add slices of ripe olives. Toss with an oil French dressing, or use plain salad oil, without vinegar. Garnish with whole ripe olives.

Dolls to Eat

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

Santa Claus dolls, made of candy and popcorn, are pleasing as favors for the children's Christmas party. The children would also enjoy making them to give as gifts to their friends. They are made in this wise:

For each little doll cut a twelve-inch square of both red and white crepe paper. Lay the white paper on top of the red. Put a handful of candy and popcorn in the center. Bring the four corners together and tie like a bag.

For each doll transform a lollipop (a rather large one) into a Santa Claus by cutting a piece of white paper to fit over the flat side of the candy part. Draw an appropriate face on this with a few sketchy strokes. Make the cheeks rosy with crayon and paste the face on the flat side of the lollipop. Put a bit of cotton on for hair and whiskers. Shape a piece of red paper into a pointed hat and then stick the transformed lollipop stick into the bag. The candy will hold it upright. Pull down the red corners of the paper and ruffle the white ones about the face.

Salvage Your Curtains

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

Some of my ruffled curtains began wearing out sooner than the rest. Having several window-groups of two windows each, I was still able to utilize the curtains by sewing a good one to a worn one, outside edges together, and using one pair of these very wide curtains at each window-group, instead of two pairs, as formerly. By hanging them with the worn part next to the outside casing, that part was invisible, being drawn into the tieback.

R. E. M.

Personal Kindnesses Make an Ideal Gift

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

If you are wondering how to fit the cost of Christmas gifts into your wartime budget, why not consider giving some of your own time as a Christmas gift?

Busy as we are, we have some leisure in which we could do something to give a friend pleasure or change. If we cannot afford to spend money, we can afford to spend time. For instance, we can afford to spend an evening during the holiday season with the mother of the soldier in our neighborhood. She is alone for Christmas, and the evenings are long. On a Sunday afternoon, we can go to see a shut-in who will be ever so glad to hear of the happenings around the town. Some Saturday noon, a woman-with-a-job could take the small daughter of a friend downtown for lunch and a little shopping expedition. Or ask her to stay overnight some Saturday and go to church on Sunday morning. If one of our friends has small children or older parents who keep her tied down at home, and she has trouble finding anyone to stay with them, the most thoughtful gift we could give her is the gift of a few free hours away from home. Tell her we will come over on our free afternoon, and take care of the children, including their supper and bedtime so she will not have to think about them all evening.

If we live in the country, and have a friend who has to live in the city Winters, yet loves country life, why not exchange places with her for a week end? Keep house for her, and arrange our household so she will not have much to do except to take in the rural scene so she can remember it throughout the Winter in the city. Or if we live in the city, and have a friend who thinks the country is pretty dreary in Winter, change places with her so she can get a whiff of city life.

Another personal service we might give as a Christmas present is a long, newsy letter to somebody away from home this year—the boy or girl in the armed service—or an old friend who has moved to another part of the country. Such a present we can make in our own free time, ahead of the Christmas rush, in our own home. The letter should be long, and cheerful, and full of the kind of news the recipient would like to hear, and should be mailed so it will be received by Christmas.

If we can draw a little, we can sketch on a plain card a picture of ourselves performing one of these services—serving supper to some children, walking in the downtown section with a little girl, or boarding a bus to city or country. On the cards can be written: "This Christmas I am giving you —. You set the date on which you wish this gift to be delivered."

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Craig Wood Leads Field By a Stroke

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 17 (AP)—The uncanny putting of Craig Wood, duration national open champion, was the talk of the galleries with the blond blaster from Mamaroneck, N. Y., starting the second round of the Mimai open today in first spot by a stroke.

Wood carved a 34-34—68 for the best first-day showing over the Miami Spring layout despite a biting wind and drizzing rain that sent many scores kiting.

Bettered Par

Only Wood and Steve Warga, Jr., of Miami, who had a 32-37—69, bettered par and all but five of the field of 124 were over the mark. The small greens put a premium on putting and Wood was master there.

General Chairman H. H. Arnold stuck to his prediction that 278 for the 72 holes would capture the $1,000 in war bonds that goes to the winner. But he shortened his list of potential victors to three.

"I'll ride with Wood, Sammy Byrd and Bob Hamilton," he declared.

In making his pick after the first scores were in Arnold dug far down the list. Byrd, the pro from Plum Hollow, Detroit, was tied for eighth place with 36-36—72 and Hamilton, of Evansville, Ind., was in a tie for 16th with 36-39—75.

Turnesa Third

Arnold was banking on Byrd's steadiness and Hamilton's putting ability. Sammy, the former Yankee outfielder, was shooting at par and his card showed regulation figures, except for two bogies. Hamilton's putter just wasn't working, but Arnold believes it will in the later rounds.

To share amateur honors, Ens. Willie Turnesa of the famous golfing family slipped through with a 36-34—70 to go into a three-way tie for third place. He devided the spot with Earl Christiansen, Miami amateur, and Orville White of Winston-Salem, N. C.

Yankee Pilot Not Surprised by News

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 17 (AP)—Joe McCarthy, manager of the New York Yankees, said he was not "terribly surprised" to hear that Joe Gordon, Yankees' second baseman, plans to enlist in the armed forces during the winter.

The Yankees' manager wished Gordon "good luck" and said "of course, we'll miss him, but we're proud of him."

"It's just one of those things and gives another of baseball's greats to the war effort," McCarthy added. "I'm not terribly surprised."

Brooklyn Returns To Bear Mountain

BROOKLYN, Dec. 17 (AP)—The Brooklyn Dodgers will return to Bear Mountain, N. Y., for spring training in 1944 and will hold most of their workouts in the big United States Military Academy field house, President Branch Rickey said. Players will report about March 15.

The Dodgers plan only seven exhibition games next spring, three against the Boston Red Sox April 7, 8 and 9 and three against the New York Yankees, April 14, 15 and 16, all at Ebbets Field, and one against some major league club at Trenton.

Eastern Hockey League
Dec. 16
By the Associated Press
New York Rovers 12, Brooklyn 8.

Halt Should Soon Be Called To Bruins-Pics Exhibitions

By Gordon Campbell
Staff Writer of The Christian Science Monitor

Everybody was happy today.

The Bruins were because last night in the Garden they showed the Olympics how hockey should be played.

The Olympics were because they scored eight goals to the Bruin's 13.

Al Palazzari was because he's going up permanently with the Bruins, starting Sunday night against Canadiens in Montreal.

The fans were because whether they were for the Bruins or Olympics they definitely had something to cheer about.

All of which is another way of saying that the Bruins and the Olympics had a lovely skate at the Garden yesterday evening. Nobody was hurt; a lot of goals were scored; and by and large everybody had a nice time.

Time to Call a Halt

With such a nice taste having been left, it's too bad the Bruins and the Olympics can't call a halt to their exhibition tilts. The Bruins have won four times in a row now, previous scores being 7-2, 11-1, and 6-5, and while charity may have gained last night, certainly nobody else did.

Exhibition games usually are pointless unless the teams are evenly matched. Pitting the Olympics against the Bruins is like matching a high school outfit against the 'Pics. There is just no point to it. The Bruins had everything to lose and nothing to gain. The 'Pics had everything to gain but little chance to gain it.

'Pics Scored First

As it was, the Olympics scored first, but the Bruins immediately took charge of the show. The pros scored seven times in a row within 13 minutes in the first period to leave no doubt in anybody's mind that they could score almost at will. They led 7-3 at the end of the first period, 9-5, at the end of the second, and 13-8 at the final bell. If they had wished they could have scored upyard of 20 goals on their farmhands, who still must be given credit for getting eight.

Because they were shorthanded the Bruins had to borrow two players from the 'Pics, Al Palazzari and Alan Rittinger. In addition, they used Jean Paul Renaud in place of the ailing Bert Gardiner in goal. Don Gallinger still did not feel well enough to dress for the game. Gallinger and Gardiner, however, will play in Montreal.

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Briefs: Officials included Bill Stewart, Ag Smith, Bill Cleary, and Paul Lefevre, all of whom donated their services . . . Dit Clapper ran the team from the bench, Art Ross sitting in a reserved seat behind the Olympics . . . Busher Jackson went back to defense, Flash Hollett moving up to center . . . The crowd of 12,000 was definitely pro-Olympics . . . No body-hecking was the rule last night, a good thing for the kids.

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The Bruins leave tomorrow night for Montreal . . . That game in the Forum Sunday should be a humdinger . . . First off the Bruins and Canadiens played two 2-2 tie games; then Canadiens pasted the Bruins 13-4; and finally Bruins ended Canadiens' undefeated string at 15 games . . . There'll be no quarter asked Sunday.

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Stoney Jackson played all last night with his wrist watch on . . . In fact, he almost took his shower with the timepiece still adorning his wrist . . . Maybe he wanted to time his own goals . . . Bill Linskey, former trainer of the 'Pics who is now in the Army at Fort Devens, begins a 10-day furlough today . . . Bruins' next home game is against Toronto Maple Leafs Tuesday . . Olympics will play exhibition games with the Quebec Army Raiders tomorrow and Sunday nights.

Sports Mirror

By the Associated Press

Today a Year Ago

St. Louis Cardinals named No. 1 team of the year.

Three Years Ago

Fred Brice, 20 years head football coach at Maine, resigns.

Five Years Ago

Howie Weiss, Wisconsin fullback, chosen as most valuable player in football.

Red Sox Select Tufts for Early Spring Training

The first hint of distant spring rose out of Fenway Park yesterday when General Manager Eddie Collins made known his Red Sox 1944 training plans.

The Sox will again do their preliminary work in the Tufts College indoor cage, thanks to the cooperation of College President Carmichael and Athletic Director "Pop" Houston. Indoor work starts, according to Joe Cronin, "about the second week in March."

On March 27—a day more or less—the club will move to Baltimore for a few days of outdoor work in the better Maryland weather. As the Baltimore club trains at home, several practice games will probably be arranged. However, the only spring dates officially made at this time, beyond the usual city series with the Braves, are three at Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, April 7, 8 and 9.

Normie Smith Is Detroit Star In Toronto Victory

National Hockey League

	W	L	T	Pts	Goals For	Ag
Montreal ..	12	2	3	27	80	37
Boston	8	7	3	19	86	89
Chicago	9	7	0	18	67	66
Toronto	8	8	2	18	75	73
Detroit	6	6	3	15	57	57
New York .	1	14	1	3	52	95

Result Dec. 16

Detroit 4, Toronto 1.

By the Associated Press

It looks as though Detroit Manager Jack Adams had the right idea when he brought Normie Smith, his Stanley Cup goalie of 1935-36-37, out of retirement. The veteran stepped into the nets last night in Toronto and turned back the Maple Leafs 4-1 with some sensational saves in the only National Hockey League game.

Smith, who won the Vezina Trophy in 1936-37 when the Wings won the ice title, replaced Jimmy Franks and gave the 9,336 fans the evening's only excitement. He made 37 saves to 20 by Benny Grant of the Leafs.

Toronto not only muffed a chance to go into second place, which is held by Boston, but lost the services of Mel Hill, reserve centerman, who broke an ankle when he crashed into the boards after losing his balance on a breakaway.

Detroit snapped out of a slump in which they had lost three and tied one of their last four starts by beating Toronto. In addition to Goalie Smith, Adams presented three new men from Indianapolis, Nakina Smith, Red Kane and Vic Lynn.

Net Champ Enlists

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17 (AP)—Bob Falkenburg, national junior tennis champion, was sworn in as an enlisted Army Air Force cadet and will be called to active duty next spring. He will be 18 next January.

Falkenburg's actress sister, Jinx, pinned on her brother's silver lapel wings.

Basketball Scores

Dec. 16

By the Associated Press

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Midwest

Great Lakes (Ill.) 65, Bowling Green State 14.
Carleton 43, Augsburg (Minn.) 39.
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Southwest

Norman (Okla.) Navy Zoomers 37, Hutchinson (Kan.) Naval Air 33.

West

Utah 45, Kearns Air Base 38.
Oregon State 38, Tillamook Naval Air Sta. 36.

Breaking the Ice

By Campbell

Fifteen victories in 16 starts is a pretty fair record for any so-called amateur hockey club, especially when two of those victories were against at least a team containing half a dozen former professionals. Yet this is the record the Boston Olympics have hung up in the Eastern Amateur League this season, and behind their success lies a story.

The story could be found in the fact that the league isn't up to standard this year. It could be found in the Canadian kids who are just learning how to shave while they go about the business of learning how to play hockey. It could be found in the goal-tending of Maurice Courteau, or the durability of Ty Andersen, who more than once has played 60 minutes.

But perhaps it is best found in Coach Hago Harrington, the Melrose resident who was one of the few American-born boys to make good in the National Hockey League back in the 1920s and who is now making good as a molder of hockey players.

Talking About Hago

Art Ross was talking about Hago recently. "You know," he said, "that fellow can really develop boys. He's done a good job with the possible future Bruins we sent to the Olympics this fall, and I am more than satisfied with the way they have progressed."

Ever since he went with the Olympics seven years ago, Hago has had success of a sort. It was pretty rocky going back in the days of the old Provincial League, when only American boys were used on the Boston outfit. The Frenchmen usually had cleverer skaters and scorers, but the Olympics found a way to beat them. They played a hard-checking game, and all visitors to the Garden soon respected the Boston blue line.

As the 'Pics improved, so did the crowds at the Garden, and one spring the Bruins and the Olympics ran a great race in the crowd-drawing business. Both played to capacity houses, which then was several thousand more than the 13,500 prescribed by law now.

From the Provincial League, the Olympics moved into the Eastern circuit in the 1940-41 season and wound up fifth among six teams. The next year the 'Pics first tried using Canadian players, with Manager Ross sending to Hago five boys he had liked at the fall training camp. Harrington immediately molded them into an outfit that won its first seven games and lost only five of its first 30. The team would have waltzed to the championship if the Bruins had not suddenly put in a hurry call because of the departure of their Kraut line to service and the loss of Dit Clapper and Bill Cowley through injuries. As it was they tied New York Rovers, who were awarded the title because they had scored more goals.

That was the season, two years ago, when Hago brought along Jack McGill, Lloyd Gronsdahl, Jake Wade, and Clare Martin so competently that they were able to fill the bill when Ross beckoned. McGill, in fact, nearly won the N. H. L.'s rookie award. He would have beaten the Rangers' Grant Warwick by a wide margin had he been in the league longer than for 13 games.

Beat the Cutters

Last year Hago brought his charges right along behind the strong Coast Guard Cutters. This season his boys beat the Cutters twice—with Frankie Brimsek in goal—before the Coast Guard dropped out of the league. They have already won the Walker Cup for the first third of the Eastern League season, and have made a start toward the Boardwalk Cup for the second third. They'll win that trophy, too, if the league keeps going.

Hago has his own theories on coaching. He brings his youngsters along carefully and thoroughly, and if they have the stuff, he brings it out. In his seven years with the Olympics he has proved his ability by making the boys prove theirs—which is probably one good reason why he will be around for another seven seasons.

Notes on the Sports Front

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 (AP)—Attention football coaches: Since you'll all probably be counting heavily on freshmen next season, take a look at a few of these high school standouts of 1943 . . . Dinkey Brown, 175-pound halfback from Greenville, Miss., apparently took the season's scoring honors. He scored 30 touchdowns and place-kicked 47 extra points for 227 points in 10 games . . . Dinkey also passed for 14 scores, two of them when his team was trailing Holy Cross 19-7 in the last quarter of the New Orleans Toy Bowl game . . . In spite of that, Thomas "Shorty" McWilliams of Meridian was named the outstanding player in the Big Eight Conference (which has 14 teams). Shorty also made 30 touchdowns, averaging 36 yards on each scoring run, passed for eight more, averaged about 40 yards on punts, and backed up the line on defense.

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Bill Summers, the American League umpire, ran into a real puzzler this fall when a kid asked him what would be the verdict if a batsman hit a pitched ball, the ball broke in half and one piece was caught by the first baseman while the other fell in safe territory . . . Instead of answering offhand, Summers secured a ball, Wedged it firmly on a chopping block and took a whack at it with an axe . . . The axe cut through the cover and yarn, but when it struck the rubber core it bounced back . . . So Bill decided he wouldn't have to worry about that problem any more.

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1229-31 Commonwealth .. STA. 3900

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North Cambridge, Mass.
GENERAL INSURANCE KIR. 4477

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to Readers of The Christian Science Monitor
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26 BRATTLE STREET TRO. 6760

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Come in and see our large selection of Christmas Gifts
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Buy Useful Christmas Gifts
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Christmas Greetings
CONCORD FRUIT CO.
29 Main Street Concord 435

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CARD & GIFT SHOP
Early Shopping Gives the Widest Selection of Christmas Cards and Gifts
Also Greater Personal Attention!
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Frederick B. Maxwell, Treas.
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Flowers telegraphed anywhere

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Last Minute Christmas Suggestions
Robes—Negligees
Vanity Fair Undies
(They require no ironing)
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Bags
Costume Jewelry
(Good assortment)
Gloves
for Dress—Business—Sports
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(Lovely designs and colors)
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Jewelry of Quality
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Earrings, Pins, Bracelets, Rings, Chains
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F. W. Rice
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A Useful Gift, and Appreciated by All
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Door Chimes—Lighting Fixtures—Fostoria Glassware
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Complete Assortment of Gift Items

We're Prepared For Last Minute Christmas Shopping
Season's Greetings
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Gloucester, Massachusetts
The Department Store
1885 COMPANY 1943

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May Yours Be
A Thoughtful and Thankful Christmas
WILSON'S

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38 MAIN STREET TEL. 1481

To You and Yours
A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year
from the entire staff of
INDIVIDUAL FAMILY LAUNDRY

Season's Greetings
Home-Made Ice Cream
Salted Nuts—Candies
PICKARD'S COZY CORNER
20 WINTER STREET TEL. 2472

HOLYOKE

You Can Always Shop With Confidence
at
NAPOLEON BAIL'S
Shoe Store and Repair Factory
168 High Street Next to Transcript

CLARK'S FLOWER SHOP
466 Dwight Street Phone 8058
HOLYOKE, MASS.
Member Florist Telegraph Association

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Quality Gifts for Men and Boys
Macartney's
431-433 Essex Street Telephone 4111

Gift Suggestions
WALK-OVER Shoes
for Men and Women
WALK-OVER SHOE SHOP
275 Essex Street

Everett F. Scannell, Prop.
SCHNEIDER'S
Jewelers
314 Essex Street, Lawrence, Mass.

CHERRY & WEBB'S
THE FASHION STORE IN LAWRENCE

JUNKINS CANDY STORE
577 Essex Street Next to the Waldorf
Christmas Candy and Novelties

MASSACHUSETTS

LEXINGTON

The PAUL REVERE SHOP
1782 Massachusetts Ave.
Tel. Lex 1499-J
BOOKS
GAMES
STATIONERY
HANDBAGS
COSTUME JEWELRY
HANDKERCHIEFS
SACHETS
LINENS
GLASSWARE AND POTTERY
and many other useful gifts

Christmas Suggestions
Junior Dresses, 11 to 17, 8.95 to 10.95. Eve Carver Classics, 12 to 42, 8.95. Robes, Sweaters, Skirts, Handys, 25c to 3.00. Hosiery and Underwear, Neckwear, Bags, Gloves, Scarfs, Jewelry.
Miss Maclean's Specialty Shop
Opp. Arcade 1839 Mass. Avenue

JOHN A. SELLARS DAIRY
Fresh Pasteurized
MILK and CREAM
From Our Own "Up-to-the-Minute" Dairy
We specialize in
Vitamin "D" Homogenized Milk
LEXINGTON 0017

BATEMAN'S
1725 Massachusetts Avenue
Last Minute Gifts!
Hosiery for Mother
Ties for Dad
Games for Children
Our stocks are still very good

R. E. SCRIBNER, Inc.
1770 Mass. Ave. Tel. Lex. 0326
Chicken, Fowl, Vegetables
Fruit, Nuts—for
Christmas Dinner

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On Christmas Day open 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. for Ice Cream Sales and Orders only. Bakery closed all day

THE LEXINGTON PUBLIC MARKET
Formerly Rudd's Market
1845 Mass. Ave. Tel. Lex. 0700
We Accept Telephone Orders
So That They May Be Ready
When You Call for Them.

Christmas Greetings
J. T. CARLSON
Florist
83 East Street Tel. Lex. 0589

VICTOR RECORDS
A Lasting Gift
COMPLETE STOCK
1,000 ALBUMS TO CHOOSE FROM
Mail Orders Filled
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Large Assortment of Individual Pieces and Gift Sets
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Gifts Galore
alvin's INC.

THEATRE PHARMACY, Inc.
1792 Mass. Ave. Tel. Lex. 0064
Christmas Cards
Kemp's Nuts
Toilet Water
Bill Folds—Stationery

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Chocolates and Bon Bons
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Cherry and Webb's
The Practical Gift Is Something to Wear
LOWELL, MASS.
Now is the time to select your Christmas Cards while they are fresh, as well as a good assortment to choose from.
Donaldson's
78 Merrimack St. on the Sunny Side
LOWELL, MASS.

For Better Heat at Lower Cost you'll like
Lowell Coke
LOWELL GAS CO.

Coal—Coke—Fuel Oil
Tel. 2-3891 Tel. 6328
E. A. Wilson Co.

Season's Greetings
Thompson's Beauty Shoppe
400 WESTFORD STREET
LOWELL, MASS.

MASSACHUSETTS

LOWELL
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Center for all kinds of GIFTS
WOOD-ABBOTT CO.
135 Central Street Lowell, Mass.

Quality Furniture
A. E. O'Neil Co.
HURD STREET
JUST AROUND THE CORNER FROM CENTRAL STREET

It's Christmas at
Pollards
A. G. POLLARD COMPANY
The House of a Million Gifts. Shop early.

LYNN

Hill-Welch
We are offering an assortment of USEFUL FURNITURE and APPRECIATIVE GIFTS

19 WILLOW STREET LY 2-9500

A Gift of Comfort
BEAUTIFUL QUILTED ROBES
Floral prints and plain colors. Waistline models and Princess lines. Bracelet length and long sleeves.
SIZES 12 TO 44
$10.98 $12.98 $15.98
Goddard Bros
Market St. Telepone LY 2-3737

There's still time to shop for last minute gifts at
T. W. ROGERS CO
280 Union Street

CHRISTMAS GIFTS
Men Prefer
Shirts, Neckwear, Hosiery, Pajamas, Gloves, Lounging Robes, Sweaters, Suede Jackets
Lonvals
328 Union Street

J. Musinsky & Sons
Home of Quality Shoes Since 1907
X-RAY SHOE-FITTING SERVICE
Your Headquarters for Useful Gifts
We carry Skates, Ski Boots, Slippers, Hosiery, Hand Bags, etc.
292 BROAD STREET

ADAM HAT GIFT CERTIFICATES
$5.00, $6.00, $7.50, $10.00
Merchandise Bonds for Any Amount
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128 Munroe Street, Cor. Washington

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Lf. 2-3400
For the RED ARROW FLEET deliver your FUEL

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STATIONER
COMPLETE LINE
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Greeting Cards Gifts
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It's HOLIDAY Time at JOSLIN'S
Do your Christmas shopping NOW—avoid disappointment; avoid crowds; avoid waiting!

MALDEN REMNANT STORE
470 MAIN STREET, MALDEN
Large assortment of high quality fabrics, fine cottons, silks, woolens and rayons for the Christmas market, at our usual low prices.
Wool for Hooked and Braided Rugs
Patchwork by the Pound
FLOWERS AND POTTED PLANTS
A Fine Selection of
CHRISTMAS GIFTS
for Every One on Your List
E. D. KAULBACK & SON
Flowers telegraphed anywhere
100 Pleasant Street Malden

Every Purchase Counts
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MALDEN
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GRANT'S for GIFTS

Do All Your Christmas Shopping At Grant's And Save!

VISIT TOYLAND NOW!

W. T. GRANT CO.
MALDEN

Say **MERRY CHRISTMAS** with a Gift from **RUDERMAN'S**

Complete Home Furnishers
Gifts—Furniture—Toys
Melrose • Malden • Medford

Christmas Gifts
Visit our store for
NUMEROUS GIFTS for
MEN
WOMEN
CHILDREN
Also gifts for
ALL OCCASIONS

George Downie, Jeweler
28 Pleasant Street Malden

At KOTZEN'S . . .
454 Main St., Malden
DINNER SETS

Priced from $4.49 and up to $39
TERMS

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454-460 Main Street, Malden
Open Saturday Evenings

Practical Gifts for "HIM"
Shirts $1.95 up Ties .55 up Hosiery .45 up
BAKER'S
The apparel shop that's "on the Square"
440 MAIN STREET MALDEN SQUARE

A complete selection of
LINENS—BLANKETS
HANDKERCHIEFS
NOVELTIES
For your Christmas List
JONES STORES, Inc.
MALDEN — MELROSE

LOUIS KLANE'S SHOES
61 Pleasant Street

Give Comfort and Style in a gift from Klane's
Shoes, Rubbers, Slippers
All sizes—Widths AA to EE—Modest Prices

Practical Christmas Gifts
Children's Wearing Apparel
Shoes — Slippers — Rubbers
B&S Children's Bazaar
90 PLEASANT ST. MALDEN

Hoffman's Hosiery Store
"Malden's Leading Hosiery Store"
106 Pleasant Street
Hoffman's Hosiery Is the Ideal Christmas Gift

Christmas Greetings
to the Readers of
The Christian Science Monitor
from WILLIAM RUSSO
Your Patronage Is Appreciated
ORPHEUM FRUIT STORE
432 MAIN STREET MALDEN

Start the New Year
with a
NEW PERMANENT
WILFRED BEAUTY SHOPPE
32 Pleasant Street Malden 0465-W

Christmas Gifts
for Men and Boys
MALDEN'S LARGEST MEN'S STORE
BENOIT-DUFF'S

MERRY CHRISTMAS
to the Readers of
The Christian Science Monitor
MORGAN'S PHARMACY
220 PLEASANT ST. MALDEN 0430

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MEDFORD SQUARE MEAT SHOP
8 FOREST STREET
Fresh Dressed Vermont Turkeys
Native Chickens and Capons
Groceries—Canned Goods
HEAVY WESTERN BEEF
Free delivery—Telephone Mystic 2310

P. VOLPE & SONS, Inc.
Gift Baskets or Fruit
For All Occasions
Unseasonal Fruits and Vegetables throughout the year our specialty
Medford Square Tel. Mystic 0122, 0123

MEDFORD
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PAINTS KITCHENWARE
KEYS MADE TOYS AND GIFTS
Phone MYStic 0404 46 High St.

An Invitation to Beauty
Edythe
BEAUTICIAN
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Arlington 4693

LET'S ALL GO TO
LEON'S
Doughnut and Sandwich Shop
Breakfast, Luncheon or Between-Meal Snacks
OPEN 7—CLOSE 3:00
Closed Sundays and Holidays
42 Salem St. Next to Medford Theatre

MEDFORD FLOWER AND GIFT SHOP
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Fresh Flowers and Plants at All Times
Prompt deliveries: Lexington, E. Lexington, Everett, Burlington, Woburn, Winchester, Billerica, Bedford and Carlisle, Mass.

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Two Convenient Stores
163 W. EMERSON 463 FRANKLIN

Carry Out Ice Cream at the Store — *Hopkins Chocolates*

Ray's
FASHION SHOP
519-521 Main Street

Say MERRY CHRISTMAS to Her with a DISTINCTIVE GIFT

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HOUSEHOLD FUEL CORP.
Mystic 3100
Crystal 1680

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Free Delivery Tel. Mel. 3400-1-2-3
Quality Meats and Groceries

CLEERCOAL
New England Coke Oil Burners
FUEL OILS
BENSON COAL CO.
20 Tremont Street Tel. Mel. 4047

TEL. MEL. 0083
Kellogg's
496 MAIN STREET
"Selected Christmas Plants and Flowers"

NEEDHAM

Flowers for All Occasions
from
Paul E. Richwagen & Sons, Inc.
Florists
Highland Avenue at Rosemary Street
NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
Member Florist Delivery Telegraph Ass'n.
TELEPHONE NEEDHAM 0682

Christmas Flowers
Order early to assure delivery.
Paul E. Richwagen & Sons, Inc.
Florists
Highland Avenue at Rosemary Street
NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
Member Florist Delivery Telegraph Association
TELEPHONE NEEDHAM 0682

NEEDHAM
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RIMMELE'S MARKET
FOODS OF EXCELLENCE
Prices that appeal
988 Great Plain Avenue

WHETTON'S
ESTABLISHED 1882
FUEL OILS • COAL • RANGE OILS
NEEDHAM
0967—0380—0968

NEW BEDFORD

Star Store
NEW BEDFORD MASSACHUSETTS
CHRISTMAS GIFTS
for Everybody

Let
GULF HILL DAIRY
South Dartmouth, Mass.,
Furnish Your
Milk, Cream and Ice Cream
Serving Room Open Daily
9 a. m. to 8 p. m.
AT SOUTH DARTMOUTH

WING'S
790 PURCHASE STREET
Gift Robes and Lingerie
Just What You've Been Looking For
Wing's Selection Is Grand!

M. J. Leahy Co.
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"Smart Apparel For Men"

Buy the Best Shoes
"BOSTONIANS"
at
M. C. SWIFT & SON
201 Union St., New Bedford, Mass.

Ready to Use or Put Away
PARSONS
LAUNDRY CO., Inc.
Dial 6-8256 or 2-1152

Perry THE FLORIST
72 Spring Street
Potted Plants and Flowers
For the Holidays and All Occasions
Next West of Y. W. C. A.

New Bedford Public Market
"Everything to Eat Under One Roof"
Purchase St. at Spring

TABER'S, Inc.
254-58 UNION STREET
Central Market and Grocery
Try our HOME-MADE MINCEMEAT and SAUSAGEMEAT and CHOWDER on FRIDAYS

CHRISTMAS GIFTS
Most Appealing Gifts Are Assembled at
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"Home of Picture Framing"
444 Pleasant Street Corner of School
Established in 1897

NEWBURYPORT

Whitefield *Launderers & Cleaners*
Buy War Bonds
Fine Laundering
Odorless Dry Cleaning
Rug Shampooing
Fur Storage
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RIVERSIDE DAIRY
I. R. Webster, Prop.
MILK
Luncheonette — Fountain Service
Season's Greetings
BUY WAR BONDS
Tel. Conn. 346 Merrimac Street

LIBERTY MARKET, Inc.
Everything for the Table
Our Food Is as Fresh as the News of the Day
28 State Street Tel. 1033
BUY WAR BONDS

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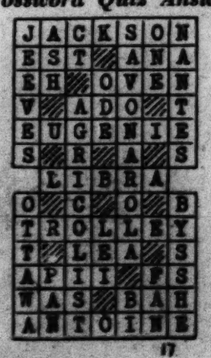

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NEWBURYPORT
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Kray's
"Clothes for discriminating men and women"
The Christmas Gift Stores
Buy War Bonds
TWO STORES
9-11 PLEASANT ST., NEWBURYPORT and at
110 CONGRESS ST., PORTSMOUTH, N. H.

BEAUTY HELPS
Attractive Gifts
Toilet Accessories
Buy War Bonds
14 Pleasant Street
HOYT DRUG CO., INC.

Practical Gifts
Gold Cross Shoes — Arch Preservers
Enna Jetticks — Daniel Green Slippers
Florsheim — Children's Shoes
X-Ray Fitting
QUALITY SHOE STORE
47 STATE STREET

BERT H. REED
Fancy Groceries
Season's Greetings
BUY WAR BONDS
333 Merrimac St. Tel. 705

Season's Greetings
BUY WAR BONDS
BICYCLES
Sales—Rental and Service
TOYS
Sporting Goods
EARL R. GURNEY
28 MERRIMAC STREET TEL. 1771

FOWLE'S
17 State Street
Fountain Service
Candies, Gifts, Greeting Cards, Luncheonette, Papers, Periodicals,
BUY WAR BONDS

Useful Christmas Gifts
Gentlemen's Furnishings
BUY WAR BONDS
LITTLEFIELD'S
55 State Street

NEWTON CENTER

FARMOTE PAINTS
HARDWARE
Merry Christmas

THE CHANTICLEER INC.
796 Beacon Street Big. 4000

GARB'S Drug Store
1217 Centre Street
Extends
The Season's Greetings

NEWTONVILLE

FUEL OIL
COAL COKE
LASell 7560
NONANTUM COAL CO.

NEWTON—West Newton

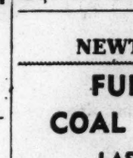
GIFTS OF WARMTH FOR PRACTICAL GIVING

From Cuddly Pure Wool Slippers to Snug Sheep-lined Jackets to help keep you warm the American way.

BARRON'S
West Newton Square Lasell 2300

FUEL OIL
COAL • COKE
BIGelow 3810 and 2500
B. S. HATCH CO.

NORWOOD



CLIFF'S BAND BOX
Wishes All the Readers of The Christian Science Monitor
A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
168 WALPOLE ST.
Clifford E. Hinton, Prop.
Tel. Nor. 1668

RED CROSS
ENNA JETTICK
STRIDE RITE
Shoes for Women
Children's Shoes Also
REGAN'S Shoe Corner

HUMPHREY'S MARKET
Wishes all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
626 Washington Street . . Tel. Nor. 1661

NORWOOD
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NORWOOD FURNITURE CO.
Christmas Gifts
TOYS
OCCASIONAL FURNITURE
724 Washington Street Ph. Norwood 1132

A Store Full of Gifts for Both Young and Old
Town Square Hardware and Supply Corp.
390 Washington Street Tel. Nor. 1080

BAKER'S
Practical Gifts for Christmas

PITTSFIELD

Smith Brothers Coal and Oil Co.
Incorporated
172 West Street Tel. 7396

LUBRICATION
VULCANIZING
WASHING
PITTSFIELD TIRE AND BATTERY SHOP
Cor. West and Center Sts. H. S. Babbitt

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL GIFTS
Guitars and Musical Merchandise, Records, Albums and Sheet Music
WOOD BROS.
421 North Street Tel. 7478

Fine Assortment of
BAGS—GLOVES—HOSIERY
SCARFS—SLIPS, ETC.
All neatly boxed, at
HOLDEN & STONE CO.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS
Beautiful Plants and Cut Flowers
Engelmann Florists, Inc.
888 Dalton Ave. Dial 8944

E. F. FISH BAKERY
Quality Breads and Bakery Products
289 North Street Dial 2-3083

Buy Your
HOLIDAY TURKEY
at
KELSEY'S MARKET
Truly a Great Place to Trade

Be Sure to See
Captain Powers' Punch and Judy Show and Florenze the Clown.
Morning and Afternoon Shows Free at
ENGLAND BROS.

QUINCY

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Tel. Granite 9712, Hours: 8 to 11 a. m. daily, except Sunday.
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For Christmas
SKATES, SKIS, SLEDS, TOYS
WESTLAND'S
1585 HANCOCK STREET

THE CHILDREN'S SHOP
1258 Hancock Street, Quincy, Mass.
TEL. GRA. 9068
The Best in Children's Wear Exclusively

Plenty of Gifts for Men
For Last Minute Shoppers at
TALBOT'S Quincy Sq.

THOMAS S. BURGIN
INCORPORATED
INSURANCE
Quincy Square Gra. 3000

FOY'S MARKET
The Sign of Quality Since 1899
Free Delivery
Charge Privileges
1177 Hancock St. 60 Franklin St. Pre. 1234

PETTENGILL'S Inc.
Jewelry and Gift Shop
Diamonds and Watches
7-11 Cottage Avenue

STEWART'S
For Christmas
A fine selection of
Shoes—Slippers and Rubbers
for All the Family
80 BEALE STREET WOLLASTON

The thousands of retail advertisers in The Christian Science Monitor invite you to visit their stores and inspect their merchandise.

QUINCY
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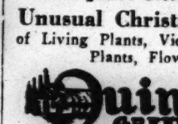
Christmas Gifts

Diamond Rings
Gold Filled—Solid Gold

Large Assortment of Costume Jewelry
Duncan and Miller, also Cambridge GLASSWARE



Sterling Silver Service for 6
$84.00
Tax Included
24 Pieces with Tarnishproof Chest

WILLIAM E. FRITZ
Jeweler
1543 Hancock Street PRE. 1446

REMICK'S
extends
to All Readers of The Christian Science
MONITOR
Sincere Wishes for
"A Merry Christmas"

Visit Quint's Greenhouse for
Unusual Christmas Gifts
of Living Plants, Victory Gardens Plants, Flowers
Quint's GREENHOUSES
1258 Hancock St. Pre. 7620

PATTERSON'S FLOWER STORE

ELSIE M. PATTERSON, Prop.
1283 Hancock Street
Varied Display of
Potted Plants—Cut Flowers
Pottery—Christmas Cards

READING

For Information regarding local and national advertisers phone Reading 1033 9 to 12 daily, except Sunday.
THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR ADVERTISING INFORMATION BUREAU

Oil Burning Equipment and Heating Oils
See Us on Our Budget Plan
EARLE H. CHAPIN
134 High St., Reading Reading 0599

Gifts for Your Men in the Armed Forces
For a good selection, for your personal shopping comfort and for prompt attention shop at
BOWSER & CO.
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Cape Town, South Africa

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A.A.A. Ai! O!
He had a farm,
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And a fine if you dare,
And a Government blank
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And they always want
At least one spare—
A form filled here, a ration there,
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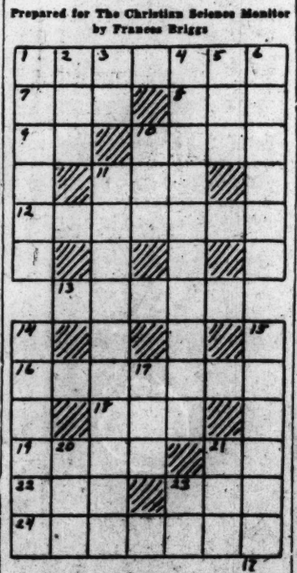
—Pathfinder.

Crossword Quiz

Prepared for The Christian Science Monitor by Frances Briggs



Across

1—What was surname of the famous "Stanwell"?
7—What suffix is used to form the superlative of adverbs?
8—Collection of sayings.
9—What is an exclamation of inquiry?
10—Nest of the baker is shaped like what?
11—Double.
12—What French empress was wife of Napoleon III?
13—What is another name for the constellation Balance?
16—An electric car is what?
17—Granny monkey.
18—What is a coarse East Indian aroid cultivated for its starch-yielding stems?
21—What is the abbreviation for "facsimile"?
22—Existed.
23—What is an exclamation of contempt?
24—What was a given name of the painter Watteau?

Down

1—What is name of famous butler in stories by P. G. Wodehouse?
2—Kind of lens.
3—In what State of U. S. was Nathan Hale born (abbr.)?
4—What famous Florentine preacher figures as an important character in Eliot's "Romola"?
5—Here ends in the Odeic play "Waiting for Lefty"?
6—What French city got its name from a Gallic tribe, the Nemetes?
20—Poem.
21—What is another name for a farmer?
14—What Canadian city was at first called Bytown?
15—What was Shelley's middle name?
17—Marathon, perhaps?
18—Who is the "god of Arnold"?
19—This object is associated with Lady Windermere?
20—British India (abbr.).

(Answer Block Appears Among the Advertisements).

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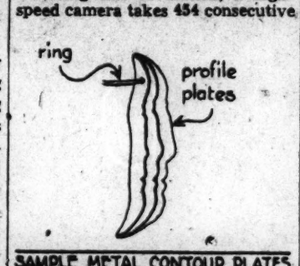

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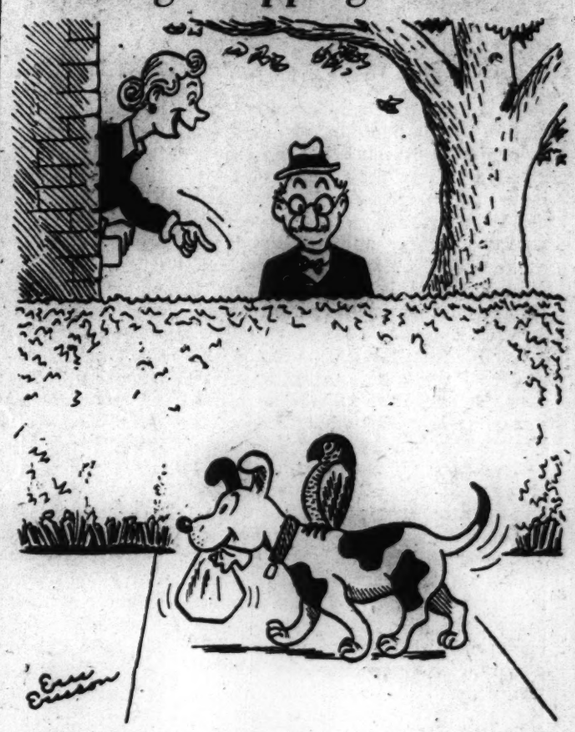

Drawn by Eric Ericson

"That's Mrs. Doodle's dog and parrot—the bird tells the storekeeper what they want and the dog carries it home!"

Camera Club

Monitor Camera Club from J. M. Meyer, New York City

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My Secret Ambition

Share your "Secret Ambition" with our readers in this new feature. If it's on the humorous side, it's all the more acceptable. Limit your contribution to less than 50 words. One dollar will be paid for each printed item.

Here is an idea to incorporate in postwar house plans. It comes from J. O., Blacksburg, Va.: "My Secret Ambition is to live in a house that has three faucets in the kitchen: one for cold water, one for hot water, and the other one for—chocolate sodas! Yum-m!"

* * *

"I'd like an appropriate reply to use when lending prized books and memorabilia, to ones who, upon being asked for their return, evince amazement to the tune of, 'Didn't know you were in a rush—thought you gave them to me.'" —B. D., Oak Park, Ill.

"My S. A.", confesses Mrs. L. M. W., Port Washington, N. Y., "breaks out at every musical comedy I attend. I would like very much to be one of those radiantly beautiful creatures who sit at the small tables forming the colorful background for the stage action. At least I would give a cookie to learn what they are talking about."

* * *

Miss J. E., New Durham, N. H., wants to carry her job one step further. She writes: "I am a worker in a navy yard and my Secret Ambition is to stand topside when a submarine is launched and to go out with it on its trial run."

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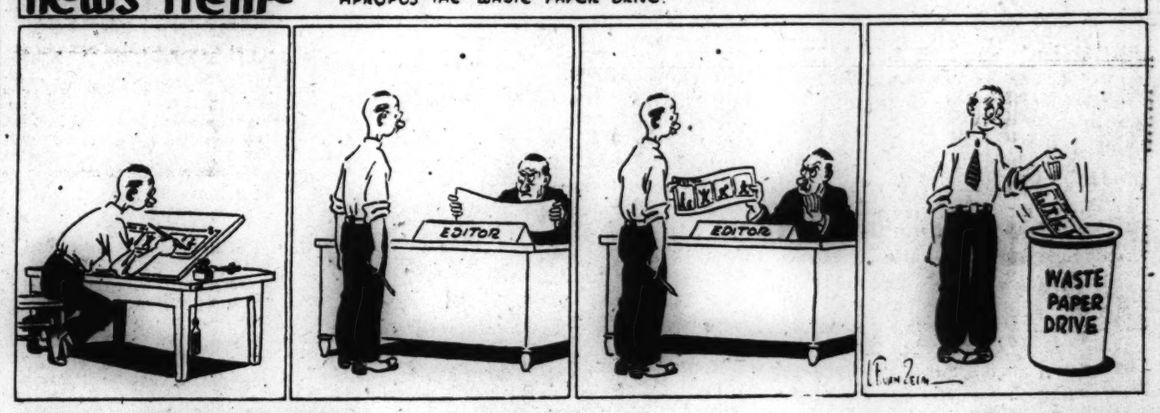

Tubby and Buddy & Co.—*At a Standstill*

By Le Pelley

I THINK THE WHOLE TROUBLE IS I HAVEN'T ENOUGH WING SURFACE
BENJAMIN !! GET DOWN OFF THAT SHED !!
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GOOD-NIGHT... HOW DO THEY EXPECT CIVILIZATION TO MAKE ANY PROGRESS !?!!

The Diary of Snubs, Our Dog—*He May Have Changed His Mind!*

By Rodgers

The Adventures of Waddles—*So Far, Not So Good*

By The Hagers

"Now, Mr. Goldeneye," I sighed, "I never need a shopping guide."
"Oh yes you do! Please don't resist. Your Aunt, I notice, heads the list.
A sable scarf for her we'll buy; For Ted, this fifteen dollar tie."
"And next," I quacked, "my car we'll pawn. My bank account, we've overdrawn!"

THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

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Editorials

The Wrights Over Berlin and Rabaul

On the day the fortieth anniversary of the Wright Brothers' achievement is observed, it must be regretfully noted that mankind's ability to live in an amiable community of world neighbors has failed to keep pace with its propensity for unfolding new ideas of transportation and communication. As mechanical barriers have fallen, barriers of thought have been thrust forward.

Our immediate hope lies in the expectation that bombs such as those which fell on Berlin Thursday night, and which have blasted the opening to New Britain, will lower some of these obstructions so that even material history will record that the technology and the production stimulated by war was but the paltry prelude to the advances of the air age a-dawning.

Orville Wright remarked the other day that he feels about the airplane much as he does about fire. Both can be perverted to ill use; both have important, constructive uses. On balance, and through the centuries, the good that fire has done makes insignificant the evil charged against it. So shall it be with planes.

It is important to examine motives. Are the bombs dropped primarily to kill, to destroy, to inflict privation? No. They are dropped to deny the power of aggression, to evoke an understanding that war does not pay, to win the basis for a lasting, progressive peace.

Are the planes and bombs succeeding in this endeavor? Yes, far better than we are likely to grasp in a day-to-day perusal of the news. A close study of the records already shows that planes have been the determining force of this war.

Only the crushing of Japanese air power at Rabaul, Wewak and throughout the South Pacific made possible the surprise landings and successful establishment of a substantial beachhead on New Britain within the space of seven hours.

Indeed, establishment of a big bomber base in the portions of New Guinea that seem within grasp may make actual land investment and capture of Rabaul unnecessary. And establishment of a big bomber base in that area, only 800 miles or so from Truk, will throw that bastion under entirely different light. For once the shadow of heavy bombing and reconnaissance wings darken Truk, that base no longer is a safe and secret hideout for the Japanese fleet.

And what of the planes in Europe? Only such things as the recent cold analysis of blows dealt German fighter-plane production, as given by Lieut. Col. Nathaniel F. Silsbee of the U. S. Army's intelligence division, bring home the proportions of what Germany contends with.

He reports that photographs show that the U. S. Army's Eighth Air Force dealt such a devastating blow at the Focke-Wulf factory in Bremen, where 35 per cent of those important fighters were made, that no attempt has been put forth to restore the plant.

The Ago-Flugzeugwerke at Oschersleben, where 60 FW's a month were produced, has been bombed. So has the Fieseler Flugzeugbau Bettenhausen plant, the Waldau assembly plant, the Arado Flugzeugwerke. The great Marienburg and Regensberg raids were both aimed at specific single-seater fighter plants. Both were successful.

These are but samples of the planned, strategic thrusts of the U. S. day bombers, and these, of course, are coupled with the huge night-time RAF blanket raids.

So, on the fortieth anniversary of flight, it is possible to say that mankind has fought its first war in which air power was the decisive weapon.

But for the kindly gentleman who still keeps his office on North Broadway, near the little bike shop in Dayton, it is also possible to say that mankind, always looking aloft to the birds and to the sky and clouds as symbols of his higher aspirations, still looks there and expects to be helped by the invention of young men who expressed aspirations of their own at Kitty Hawk forty years ago Dec. 17.

Prayer of Faith

The thought of the world has been startled by the report that the British Prime Minister is ill. Few men have so focused the hopes or fears of mankind. In the United Nations millions of men and women are praying for Mr. Churchill's recovery. Are they at the same time listening with anxious doubt for the latest bedside bulletin? The Bible tells us that the prayer of faith heals the sick. That is not a trembling faith, mixed with fear. Its positive character, amounting to spiritual understanding of God's goodness and power, Jesus described when he said: "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

Bari

The smashing blow by German bombers who in a few minutes destroyed half the shipping in the harbor of Bari, is a sharp setback for the Allies. It should have some good results. For not only does it jar the complacency of the home front; it carries a plain lesson for commanders anywhere within bombing range of the enemy.

There have been other unreported and less serious occasions when German bombers have struck at Allied supplies in the Mediterranean area since that sea was supposedly cleared. It is notably hard to protect new installations close to enemy bases. For that reason doubts have been expressed that the great air fields at Foggia could be used by big bombers before the Germans have been pushed above Rome, since attackers whose presence is not detected before they are within 100 miles of their target can strike before big bombers can get away.

Yet the problem can be solved. The British had to do it at home and apparently the Germans have done it. This raid on the chief supply port for the Eighth Army may explain why General Montgomery did not, after the crossing of the Sangro, follow up his announcement that the enemy was in full retreat. Shortage of supplies may have delayed a strong push toward Rome. But as a result of this experience we may expect steps to be taken which will prevent the enemy again finding such a base so vulnerable.

"Russians Roll Back Nazis"—Headline. That's the kind of roll-back everybody's in favor of.

Taxes and Subsidies

The Congressional decision to continue the present subsidy set-up for another 60 days before a final vote is probably the best thing that could be done at this time. The whole issue of subsidies has become snarled in such a wrangle between farm and labor blocs, between political factions, and between New Dealers and those who can only see subsidies as another boondoggle that an intelligent decision seemed momentarily out of the question.

It may be that two months hence the whole inflationary picture will be more clearly limned in the public thought and that the position of subsidies in the constellation of anti-inflationary controls can be seen without the present emotionalism. In the meantime, the President is not left disarmed in meeting labor's ever more insistent demands for higher wages.

The tax picture, as drawn by the Senate Finance Committee, is less encouraging. It continues the complicated and largely unfair Victory Tax. It includes no real reform, or simplification, of the tax returns, as many hoped. It falls $8,216,000,000 short of the $10,500,000,000 asked for by the Administration as the minimum increase in taxes if the anti-inflation fight is to be bolstered.

Whether the revenue bill will be much improved when the Senate and House conference committee goes to work on it is doubtful. Unless there is some general public awakening to the consequences of inflation in the next few weeks before final adoption, history will probably record that one more nation fought through a war with an ineffective tax program.

The decision to double excise taxes on furs and jewelry, and to make substantial increases in amusement and cabaret check imposts, is designed more to answer criticism of inflationary spending in some quarters than to raise revenue. And while it is good as far as it goes, a much broader list of taxable items and luxuries, aimed at really substantial revenues, would more realistically meet the situation.

Notice to three Southeastern European Nazi satellites: Make your reservations now and come early for the final performance of the United Nations' presentation of "War and Peace." Customers positively will not be seated after the curtain has risen.

Personally, we believe the reports that people are hoarding $50, $100, and $1,000 bills are highly exaggerated.

Better Safe Than Sorry

Somebody's Always Sleepin'

Her high heels clicked against the steps as she skipped up the grimy hall stairs. Each step had its own little hollow and near the railing its own collection of dirt. With a shrug of distaste she took her beige-gloved hand off the creaking, dusty railing. At the top of the stairs she knocked at a door.

Behind the door the floor shook as someone crossed it heavily. It was a large middle-aged woman, in a faded house dress, with a buttonless black sweater out at the elbows pulled together by a safety pin over her drooping bosom. Her eyes looked tired.

"Whadda ya want?" asked a tired voice.

"I am doing some interviewing. I want to find out what you think about rationing. People all over the country are being asked the same questions. Would you please answer them. It won't take long."

The woman touched her forefinger to her mouth and said,

"If ya'll be quiet. My man's sleepin'. He works on the night shift."

The interviewer nodded and went into the small room crowded with furniture. A sagging overstuffed chair, with some khaki-colored knitting on the arm, stood in front of the one window. A sagging couch "to match" sprawled against the opposite wall. The woman hurriedly pushed away a quilt and some Western story magazines from one end of the couch to make room for her visitor. The interviewer perched stiffly on the edge of the couch and pulled off her gloves. She got out a mimeographed questionnaire and a pencil, then started to put her bag and gloves on the end table but a radio, old newspapers, a tin ship ashtray, and a large tinted picture of a young man in uniform left no room. So she tucked them beside her.

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The most obvious thing in the room was a large kerosene cook stove. The sickey, cloying odor of oil mixed strangely with that of cabbage simmering in a kettle. As the large woman lowered herself into her chair and started to knit, she said in rather an apologetic voice:

"We had ta bring the cook stove in here cuz we couldn't get enough kerosene to heat here and the kitchen. It's been extra cold this winter. We stuffed the crack of the window with newspaper and wear sweaters. We're lucky I made plenty o' quilts long time ago and it's in bed that we spend most of our time—when we ain't workin'."

"Do you work too?"

"Yes, I make cable on the 7-to-3 shift. My daughter makes shells. Her shift changes every week. She just gets used to sleepin' in the daytime and then she has ta sleep at night. My man works seven nights a week in a defense plant. He's always tired. Ya gotta be quiet here now, cuz somebody's always sleepin'. We don't have company no more. We hardly even play the radio, cuz somebody's always sleepin'."

"What effect has the rationing of canned goods had on you?"

"Well, it makes it a little harder. I put up some canned stuff this summer and that helps. I didn't need any extra sugar. We got plenty o' sugar, maybe too much from the size a me," and she laughed. "My man don't like carrots but he eats 'em. Sometimes that's all the fresh vegetables they got—carrots. Ya sure can get tired o' carrots quick. I make food that can just be heated up cuz we never all eat together no more. Somebody's always sleepin'."

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"How does meat rationing affect you?"

"Just the same as the rest, I guess. My man likes meat—guess all men like meat—but he don't get too much any more. Funny, now that we gotta 'nuf money to buy a roast a beef or even a big steak, there ain't any—or wasn't for a long time. We're making money, but we ain't got time to spend it. We buy lots a bonds. My man don't get mad about his food no more. I gotta buy butter and shortnin' with my red stamps cuz my man loves pie—apple pie—guess all men love apple pie."

"How does gas rationing affect you?"

"Well, we ain't never had a car. Sometimes a friend used to take us for a ride on Sunday. It's nice in the country on Sunday but there ain't no time no more, even if there was gas. Now you always gotta stand up on the bus. Everybody rides the bus now. My feet ain't so young no more and sometimes they feel like they'd come poppin' right outa my shoes—right while I'm standin' there holdin' on to the strap—but they never do," and she smiled. "And as soon as I get 'em home I put these on," and she stuck out one foot which was covered with a worn-down felt slipper.

"How has shoe rationing affected you?"

"Aw, it ain't bothered us none. We all wear old shoes ta work. Everybody's got old shoes. Best thing when yer feet ain't young. And we don't go nowhere—leastwise together—no more. We try ta go ta church but lots a times we don't make it. It's nice ta have a decent pair a shoes ta wear ta church."

The interviewer nervously pulled her feet with their well-fitting pumps closer to the couch in an effort to hide them, but the woman was knitting busily and didn't notice. She went on talking.

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"Three pairs a shoes lasts me two years. My feet ain't so young no more and I ain't proud how they look. My daughter still likes pretty shoes cuz she's still got proud feet, but me and my man just want old shoes—broke in good."

The interviewer stopped writing and put the paper and pencil away. She picked up her bag and gloves and straightened her skirt as she stood up. "Thank you for answering these questions. We just wanted to know what people think about rationing."

The large woman smiled, a sad, tired smile. "Rationin', oh, rationin' ain't nothin'. Our boy—that's him," pointing to the picture on the end-table, "got took prisoner on Bataan. What's rationin' ta that. We ain't kickin'. We're all workin' hard as we can ta make things to help win the war."

Clumsily she got up from her chair to go to the door with her visitor, and with a sparkle in her eyes she said, "But us little people can take it."

The interviewer slowly walked down the stairs. She held firmly to the railing disregarding the dust that was collecting on her beige glove. At the last step she paused and looked up at the closed door at the top of the stairs. Not everything she learned could be included in that questionnaire.

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Mirror of World Opinion

Red Tape at the Border

Charles Lungrin Shaw, writing in the November "Mining World," comments on the fact that for generations we have boasted both in the United States and Canada of the "imaginary boundary" that separates the two countries and asks if it is not time that our immigration restrictions have all but made a mockery of this often-quoted and high-sounding phrase.

In recent months, so this magazine contends, new mysteries, complications and confusions of border crossing have been introduced. It is viewed as "almost incredible" that such conditions as actually exist should be considered necessary, even in war time.

"Difficulties put in the way of intending travelers, especially from Canada to the United States, are little short of fantastic," in the opinion of this writer.

There is little evidence to support the theory that the U. S. and Canada will become one, but there also is little reason to jeopardize the splendid relations that exist between their people and their governments, by over-zealous protection at their borders. —*Walla Walla* (Wash.) *Union-Bulletin.*

Why Not Free Medicine?

The argument has been advanced that if one believes in a free public school system, one should not object to "free medicine" controlled and paid for by the State.

There is considerable difference between a public school system to give every individual a chance for mental equipment with which to earn a living and care for himself, and furnishing the individual, at State expense, the various necessities and luxuries of life.

"Cradle to the grave security" sounds appealing, but a nation which accepts that plan sells its independence and admits that its people cannot care for themselves.—*Keene* (N. H.) *Sentinel.*

A Report on Politics

Down the Middle of the Road

By Erwin D. Canham

This is a factual report of a few days of political conversation in Washington and New York.

First, although there is active speculation that the President may not run for a fourth term, majority opinion seems to be that he will. Of course, it's just a guess at this time. Conditions by next summer may have changed drastically. The state of the war and re-election prospects will be the determining factors.

Second, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey is far ahead in the race for the Republican nomination, although he is not officially "running" at all.

Third, Wendell L. Willkie has stepped on more sensitive political toes than any man in public life, and it is highly questionable whether this "independence" endears him to the common man enough to offset the harm it does him among the professionals.

Fourth, there is a definite feeling of reaction running in the country and the question is whether it may by next summer go far beyond the mid-ground Republican candidates and sweep into office not necessarily a reactionary Presidential nominee but a great many hardshell members of Congress. Among them would be plenty of isolationists.

Joseph N. Pew, Jr., of the Sun Oil Company, is extremely active in party affairs, and if he continues will give the Democrats a wide-open chance to say that the party has come under the dominance of another Mark Hanna. Mr. Pew, who is an alert modern business man, appears to seek to be a power behind the throne. He is ably served by John D. M. Hamilton, his general counsel, who was formerly Republican National Chairman, and by Franklyn Waltman, his public relations chief, formerly publicity director for the Republican National Committee.

The antipathy of Republican politicians for Wendell Willkie hits you with the force of a blow when you get outside New England. The only circumstances under which this state of affairs would permit his nomination would be if he should show great strength with the people. The test will come next year, in the preferential primaries conducted in 17 States. If Mr. Willkie runs strongly, he can challenge the politicians. Otherwise his job would certainly be an uphill one, particularly because Mr. Pew through John Hamilton, in alliance with Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio, has probably got a good many State delegations in the bag already.

Governor Dewey, meantime, has made no political enemies but continues to put up a good record at Albany. He will have to make up his mind by February 11 whether or not he is to permit his name to be entered in preferential primaries. On that date, candidates who wish to be on the ballot in Illinois 60 days later must take steps to obtain a place. In eight of the 17 States, the explicit consent of a candidate is necessary before his name can go on the ballot. According to his very definite statements, Governor Dewey would not give his consent. But in nine other States, he can be entered without his consent.

More than half of the 1,003 delegates to the national convention are chosen by preferential primary. If Mr. Willkie should get many of these, he would be a formidable candidate. And if Governor Dewey, following his pledge not to "be a candidate," does not run in the primaries, then the field would be fairly clear for Mr. Willkie in many States. On these grounds Governor Dewey must soon make his decision.

If Mr. Willkie is not nominated on the G. O. P. ticket, there is speculation that he might seek to get a third party on the ballot. That is a very difficult operation, and if it had any significant outcome might well elect the Democratic nominee.

In New York, there is some speculation that the financial circles which formerly supported Mr. Willkie have gone over to Governor Dewey. If that is true, it is highly important.

As to the signs of reaction, these are deep and grievous and likely to be most serious in the make-up of the Congress that will probably finish the war and assist in making the peace. Even if President Roosevelt should be re-elected, the Congress to be returned next year seems certain to be far to the right. This is not to say that reactionary means Republican, for many of the most extreme reactionaries are Democrats. But the House of Representatives elected next year seems inevitably Republican.

And so we approach one of our greatest years of decision.

Why Johnny Can't Get Overalls

An Intimate Message From Washington

By Mary Hornaday

Out in the Midwest little boys are being called "sissies" by the other kids because their mothers can't buy them overalls and they have to wear their Sunday clothes to school.

In New York, you can buy plenty of sheer nightgowns for $60 each and a nice luxurious bedjacket for $49.50.

Of course, the little boys wouldn't wear the nightgowns even if they could afford them, but the fact that manpower and textile machinery are being used to produce such luxury items while the shelves of rural stores go bare amounts to little short of a national scandal.

The American clothing picture was described by a high official this week as "in desperate shape." Stocks are way down. Prices are going up, despite OPA efforts to impose and enforce price ceilings. The whole clothing picture weighs heavily in the inflation crisis, since about 10 per cent of the average family's budget in this country goes for clothes.

Today the situation is so bad that some officials are saying only if the war in Europe finishes up within six or eight months will the country skid through its clothes crisis.

Behind the disjointed clothes situation is a "strike" of certain manufacturers against WPB rules, abetted by consumers who are making plenty of money and willing to pay $60 for a sheer nightgown, for once in their lives.

The WPB has tried to channel textiles into utility production through its material allocation powers, but to date has had little success. Most of the time, manufacturers have found a way to get around Government rules in order to make more money. One of the most common practices is to change styles, so as to make a new product that does not come under old OPA ceilings. That is why you can buy plenty of pretty print aprons at $2.98 and $3.98 this Christmas but can scarcely buy a diaper for the baby; why you can buy a lot of fancy overarm bags and few men's shirts.

Today's crisis might have been avoided by clothes rationing, but the complexity of rationing in such a big country as ours might have brought even greater problems.

England has clothes rationing but it does not have the differences in climate we have. A rationing allowance that would do for a man in Mississippi wouldn't do for one in Minnesota.

Actually, from a supply standpoint, there has been no reason to ration clothes. Stocks of raw materials and spinning capacity have been adequate except for rayon. There is enough cotton and wool for urgent needs.

The garment trade says it can't live under the restrictions imposed by WPB and OPA but must make more money in order to keep manpower from drifting away into higher-paying war industries. Workers staying on the job are demanding vacations with pay.

Meanwhile, a Department of Commerce report shows that profits in the textile and leather industries continue to mount. Corporate profits after payment of taxes amounted to $33,000,000 in the second quarter of 1939 and had jumped to $117,000,000 in the second quarter of 1942 and $122,000,000 in the second quarter of 1943, the last period for which figures are available.

Relations between OPA and WPB over the clothing crisis have become so strained that the whole matter was finally taken to Economic Stabilization Director Fred M. Vinson for solution.

Mr. Vinson has now given his blessing to an ingenious pooling scheme allowing some manufacturers higher prices than others for the same article, according to their costs of production, and charging the consumer an average of all manufacturers' prices.

What will probably happen under the new scheme will be that OPA will proceed to allow a few incentive price increases for conscientious firms honestly caught in a "squeeze" and a price rollback for profiteers.

The utility clothing situation may thus be eased some, but in the meantime a consumer boycott of a good deal of the "chi-chi" and "frou-frou" on the Christmas counters might teach certain manufacturers a lesson.

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